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GREEK AND YUGO-SLAV FORCES JEOPARDISED, BUT SITUATION FLUID

Special to the "Telegraph"

LONDON, APR. 9 (UP).—WELL INFORMED CIRCLES ESTIMATED THAT SEVERAL GREEK DIVISIONS IN THRACE AND EASTERN MACEDONIA WERE PRACTICALLY SURROUNDED BY THE GERMAN THRUST ON SALONIKA, WHILE THE MAIN SERBIAN FORCES ARE HEMMED IN IN NORTHERN YUGO-SLAVIA AND ARE ALSO THREATENED WITH ENCIRCLEMENT. THEY ADDED, "IT IS OBVIOUS THAT THE IMMEDIATE OUTLOOK IS VERY SERIOUS."

TO HALT NAZIS AT TOBRUK

British Plan Indicated

LONDON, Apr. 9 (Reuter).—British tanks and other reinforcements in Libya are now establishing themselves in strong fortifications at Tobruk.

This was revealed by Lord Moyne, the Colonial Secretary, speaking in the House of Lords to-day. Lord Moyne said that the abandonment of Benghazi was the direct consequence of reinforcements sent to Greece together with the withdrawals of armoured vehicles for overhaul.

It was likely that the Germans, following their 600 miles advance from Tripoli to Benghazi, were now facing growing difficulties regarding repairs, fuel, water and other supplies, and they lacked seapower which supported Britain's spectacular advance.

Aided by seapower, British tanks were now establishing themselves in force round Tobruk.

Lord Moyne expressed the hope that President Roosevelt would soon remove the Red Sea from the list of combat zones now that the Italian bases there had been liquidated. This would enable American supplies to go direct via the Red Sea, saving shipping and the time involved by transhipment.

Messawa Taken

CAIRO, Apr. 9 (Reuter).—Messawa capitulated yesterday afternoon and has now been occupied by British troops, states a G.H.Q. communiqué.

Meanwhile British mobile units are continuing their advance south and south-west along the Dessie-Gondar road.

In Libya, the British rearguard, whose role it was to delay the enemy advance while the main British concentrations are being completed, was heavily engaged all yesterday by numerically superior forces.

Bombs On Gondar

CAIRO, Apr. 9 (Reuter).—In Abyssinia, camps and other military objectives in the Gondar area were bombed on Sunday and Monday by the A.R.F. TURN TO BACK PAGE, COLUMN 3

TURKEY WATCHES

LONDON, Apr. 9 (Reuter).—It is understood that the Turkish Foreign Minister (M. Saragoglu) told the Peoples' Party on Tuesday that the Government would meanwhile maintain a policy of non-belligerency.

The Government, he said, is continuing to watch closely the developments affecting Turkish interests.

Battle of Balkans Not Won Despite Nazi Gains

(By "Reuter's" Diplomatic Correspondent)

LONDON, Apr. 9.—The entry of German advance detachments into Salonika not only means the loss of the capital of Macedonia but cuts the Greek armies in the field in two.

There may be several Greek divisions in Thrace and eastern Macedonia, and they are practically surrounded.

While the German armies are thus engaged in the south, other forces have practically cut through Yugoslavia's waist-line and are now advancing northwards and westwards so as to threaten with encirclement the main forces which are being hemmed in Old Serbia.

At the same time, while the Yugoslavs are still opposing the German pressure from Rumania, Hungary and Austria, some of their forces have penetrated into Albania and should

R.A.F. Blitzes The Blitz

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

CAIRO, Mar. 9 (UP).—Today's R.A.F. communiqué states that British bombers to-day heavily raided motor transports, bridges and highways to counter the German invasion of Yugoslavia and Greece.

The communiqué states: "In the Balkans, bomber aircraft of the R.A.F. continued to offer vigorous resistance yesterday to the enemy troops invading Greece and Yugoslavia.

"Heavy attacks were delivered on tanks and motor transport convoys in the Lake Doiran area and bombs were observed to burst among the tanks and vehicles on the road between Strumica and Doiran. The railway bridge over the Devdelka River was damaged by direct hits."

Coast Guard Cutters For Britain

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

WASHINGTON, Apr. 9 (UP).—The White House announced to-day that the President has authorised the release of 10 Coast Guard cutters to Britain.

Mr Stephen Early, the President's Secretary, declined to reveal the names of the vessels; however he said they were in good condition, built between 1928 and 1932.

The armaments are negligible, the British will re-equip them. It is understood that they are, of approximately 1,975 tons each and capable of a speed of 10 knots.

ATHENS, Apr. 9 (UP).—In the face of reports of reverses in the north, the British military spokesman to-day said, "It is natural that the Germans got off to a flying start because they have been able to choose their time. The situation is not unnecessarily bad and has its good sides."

He said that the British Staff is closely watching developments in Serbia where "we have good reasons to believe the Serbs will attain their ends."

It was at one time indicated that the large-scale preparations made by the British could cope with any eventuality. One source said: "It may be assumed that the British forces have not yet contacted the Germans, and it is impossible at the present to say when such contact will occur."

Rome Appraisal

ROME, Apr. 9 (UP).—At 10 a.m. Italian and German forces are reported to have met and joined forces in south Yugoslavia. Dispatches from Fempen and Terana announced that the Greek army in Albania has started withdrawing into Greece in an effort to prevent being cut off by the Germans who are smashing from Macedonia to the Albanian border from Salonika.

Majority of Axis quarters believe that the Greeks' main stand will be made north of Athens, following the reported cracking of the Metaxas Line, alongside the British forces which include Australians and New Zealanders who were brought from both Africa and Palestine.

It is stated that the junction of the Italians and Germans occurred near

LATEST

Alleged Murder: Youth Detained

A 10-year-old youth has been detained by the police for inquiries concerning the alleged murder of two girls in a Kowloon house yesterday.

The girls, Chiu Mo-san, aged 8, and Chiu Mo-yee, aged 6, were found dead at 171, Tung Choi Street, gagged and with their hands and feet bound. The elder girl had a severe cut to her throat.

Britain's force is one not lightly to be disregarded.

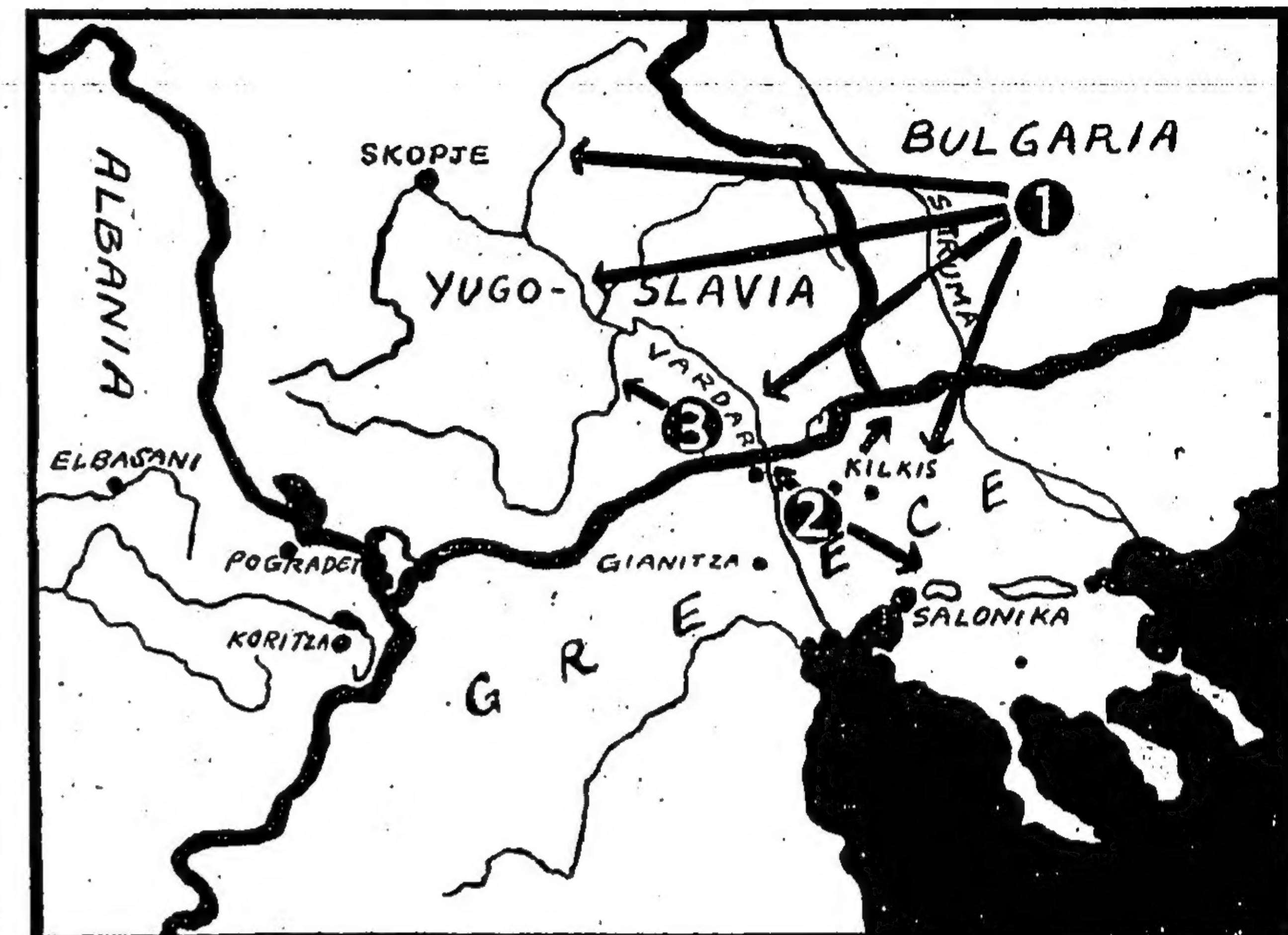
The Battle of the Balkans has not yet been won or lost.

It is learned in authoritative circles in London that no British or Imperial troops were in the sector of the Vardar.

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Tuesday's Situation On Balkans War Fronts

Tuesday's key situations on the Balkans war front were as follows: (1) Main German offensives against Yugo-Slavia and Greece, via the Struma. (2) Anglo-Greek forces defend the Struma mountains and valley. (3) Serbs retreat exposing the Greek left flank to attack by Nazi Panzer divisions. The Allies had shortened their lines in Greece and were reported to have fallen back within 23 miles east of Salonika. Since then Salonika has fallen.



Churchill's Solemn Warning: Serious Nazi Menace Ahead

By WALLACE CARROLL
Special to the "Telegraph"

LONDON, Apr. 9 (UP).—In his speech before the House of Commons to-day, the Prime Minister, Mr Winston Churchill, warned that Hitler's mightiest war effort threatens to strike against Britain, and may explode at any moment with an invasion attempt on Britain, an attack against Turkey and a thrust at the Russian wheat granaries and oil fields.

Nazi Atrocity Raid: Belgrade Wiped Out

ATHENS, Apr. 9 (Reuter).—The Royal Palace in a suburb of Belgrade was destroyed by thirty bombs during mass German raids on the city on Sunday says a message from the Yugo-Slav Government addressed, "To all civilised peoples."

The city was left "a mass of ruins and gutted homes" says the message which reads:

"We inform all civilised peoples of the frightful crimes committed by German armed forces in the war imposed on us. The capital of our country, which in good time was proclaimed an open and undefended city, was bombed by German aircraft without a declaration of war."

"On Sunday morning while the sound of church bells was calling the faithful to church for divine service a bombardment eclipsing in horror all imagination was launched by German planes."

Deluge of Bombs

"A veritable deluge of incendiary and explosive bombs turned the city into a mass of ruins and gutted homes while all the streets of Belgrade were covered with the bodies of children, women or men."

"Never during the long history of this city were such cruelties committed even by the most primitive invaders. This devastation of a defenceless open city was executed by the aircraft of that nation which claimed for itself first place among cultured peoples. All the precepts of international right and human considerations were set aside by German planes which destroyed most of the hospitals, churches, schools and cultural institutions of Belgrade in broad daylight."

"The Royal Palace was destroyed by thirty bombs. German planes even bombed isolated houses killing thus Dr Koulovet, leader of the Slovene people and a member of the Government."

"German planes machine-gunned women and children fleeing their burning homes."

NO "TELEGRAPH" TO-MORROW

To-morrow being Good Friday, there will be no publication of the "Hongkong Telegraph".

The paper will be issued as usual on Saturday.

Whatever the events in the Balkans, in Africa—where Mr Churchill said that even Egypt may be threatened by the Nazi panzer divisions or elsewhere, Mr Churchill declared that the main theatre of the war was the battle of the Atlantic.

He stated emphatically and gravely that the British war effort depends on a full-scale American effort—an effort which in the shipping field must equal "that volume of output accomplished by the Americans in 1918."

May Obtain Eire Bases

He expressed hopes also of securing the aid of Eire's bases and airfields, which might ultimately be given to Britain.

Mr Churchill said: "Everything turns on the battle of the Atlantic which is proceeding with growing intensity on both sides."

German U-boats and surface raiders are ranging even further westward towards American shores seeking to sink America's aid to Britain. He declared that unless this menace is met and defeated, "the life of Britain will be threatened," and "the purposes to which the Government and the people of the United States have devoted themselves will be frustrated."

Mr Churchill spoke in a solemn tone more grave than the Commons has heard since the collapse of France.

NEW DELHI, Apr. 9 (Reuter).—The Raj has declared Hungary to be enemy territory.

Premier's Praise For The Indian Troops

LONDON, Apr. 9 (Reuter).—Mr Winston Churchill has sent a personal message to the Viceroy of India praising the achievements of the Indian forces in Africa.

The message states: "The whole Empire has been stirred by the achievements of the Indian forces in Eritrea. For me the story of the ardour and perseverance with which they scale and finally conquer the precipitous heights of Keren recalls memories of the North-West Frontier of long years ago, and it is an one who has had the honour to serve in the field with Indian soldiers from all parts of the Hindustan as well as in the name of His Majesty's Government that I ask Your Excellency to convey to them and to the whole Indian Army the pride and admiration with which we have followed their heroic exploits."

The Viceroy replied: "I have conveyed to the forces from India now fighting in Eritrea and to the whole Indian Army your generous message, for which I, on their behalf, thank you very heartily."

"Coming as it does from one who all his life has sought battle and found it in many various fields in all parts of the world and is now the fighting leader of the British Commonwealth of Nations, your message is an inspiration to us all."

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Wallace Gives American View

NEW YORK, Apr. 9 (Reuter).—“Britain will win,” Mr. Henry Wallace, Vice-President of the United States, told the Foreign Policy Association to-day.

“Only defeatism on the psychological and economic front of the United States can prevent it. A Nazi victory and a Nazi peace are unthinkable. To avoid such a calamity, we will help ourselves through helping England with all methods short of war.”

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1 Local Time Signal.

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perin); Fair Rosemary (Kreisler) ...

Marcel Mule (Saxophone) with

Piano; Aris Con Virlutino (Moz-

zart) ... Mario Macenferri (Guitar).

1.30 Reuter and Rugby Press and

Announcements.

1.42 Schubert—Symphony No. 4

in C Minor (“Tragie”).

1 Mov: Adagio molto; Allegro vivace

2nd Mov: Andante 3rd Mov: Menuetto

(Allegro vivace) and Trio 4th Mov:

Allegro... Philharmonic Symphony

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2.15 Close down.

2.16 Indian Programme.

2.30 Closing local Stock Quota-

tions.

6.32 Scenes from Noel Coward's

“To-night at 8.30.”

Scene from “Red Peppers” Intro:

“Has anybody seen our ship?” and

“Men about Town”; Scene from “Shud-

ow Play” Intro: “Then; ‘Play, Or-

chestra, Play’ and ‘You were there’;

Scene from “Family Album”—“Here’s

‘Toast’ and ‘The Musical Box’ Intro:

Hearts and Flowers; Gertrude

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pany acc. by The Phoenix Theatre

Orchestra cond. by Clifford Green-

wood.

7 London Relay—The News.

7.15 London Relay—Talk: “Meet

Uncle Sam.”

7.30 Concert Waltzes with Ina

Souzé (Soprano).

8 Local Time Signal and Announce-

ments.

8.02 Albert Sandler and His Or-

chestra.

Live, Laugh and Love (from “Con-

gress Dances”—Heymann); Jealousy

(Gade); Tell Me To-night (from the film); Where the Woods are Green

(Brodesky).

8.15 Studio—Local Newsletter.

8.28 Compositions of Liszt.

Spanish Rhapsody; Introduction—

Poles d’Espagne—Jota Aragonaise—

Finale....Egon Petri (Piano) and

The Minneapolis Symphony Orchestra

cond. by Dimitri Mitropoulos; Hun-

garian Rhapsody No. 1 in F...Lon-

don Symphony Orchestra cond. by

Albert Coates; Sonate Del Petrarca

No. 123; Feux Follets....Anatole

Kitain (Piano).

9 London Relay—The News.

9.15 London Relay—“Questions of

the Hour.”

9.30 Studio—Recital by Captain

Thomson (Bass) with E. O’Neil Shaw

at the Piano.

—1. Prologue from “Pagliacci” (Leon-

cavallo); 2. Torador’s Song from

“Carmen” (Bizet); 3. (a) The Wind-

mill (Nelson); (b) Bless this House

(Mary Brake); (c) The Revel (Wal-

lace); (d) Trottin’ to the Fair (arr.

Stanford).

9.45 News in French (on Short

Wave only).

9.50 Orchestral Interlude.

Impression D’Oriente—Descriptive

(Amadel); Souvenir D’Ukraine—Des-

criptive (Ferraris); (e) Armando Di

Piramo and His Orchestra,

10 London Relay—To Talk of Many

Things.

10.15 Dance Music with Variety.

11 Close down.

Captured

Hiding from sentries, the men

were going southwards for the rest

of the night and the following day.

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and cupboards of a house into which

they had broken for food and rest.

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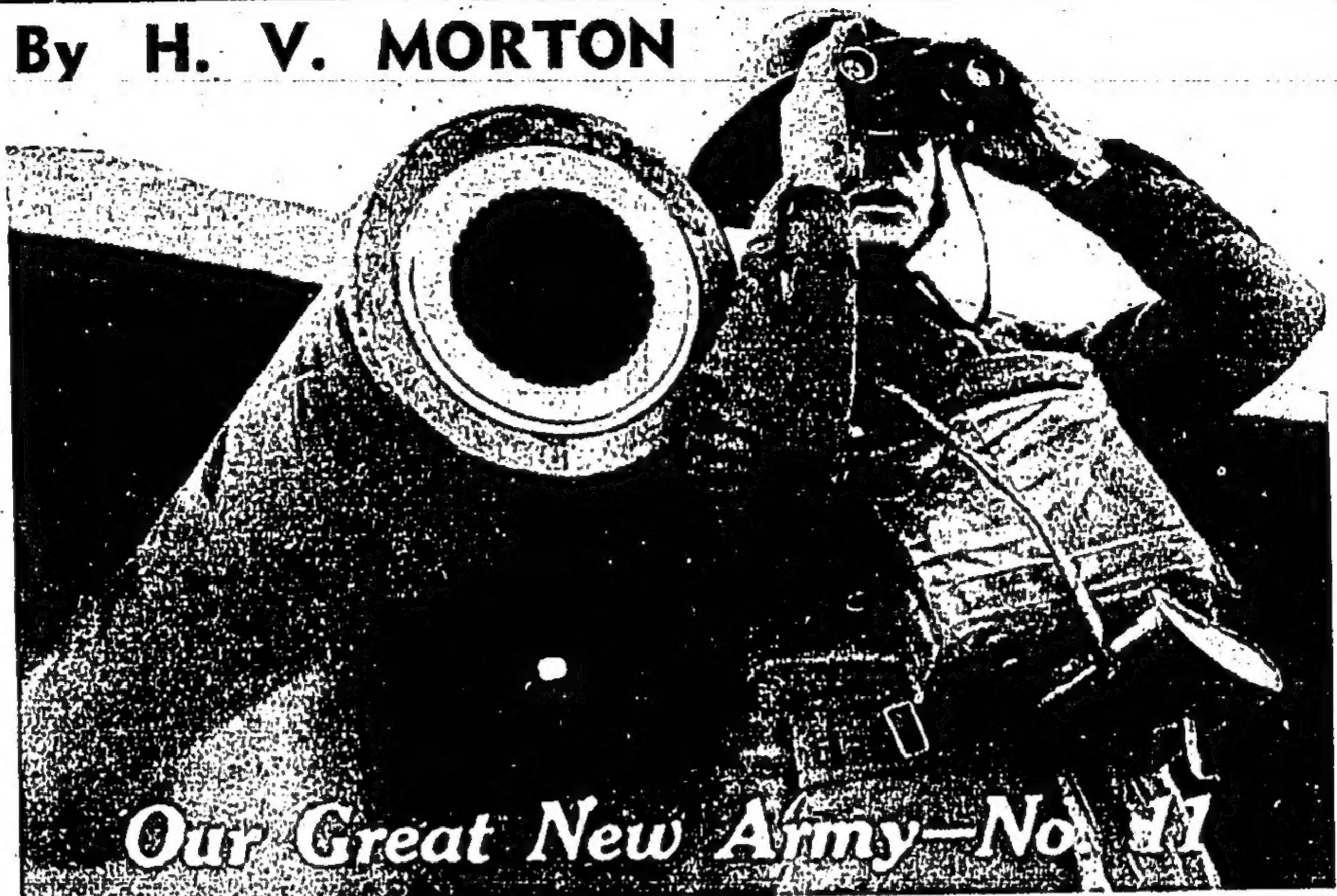
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Then followed a number of eye and judgment tests—obviously important for A.A. gunners. The men were given sheets of paper on which were printed six numbered squares, and on each square was printed a triangle, a circle or some other geometrical shape.

Twenty assorted geometrical shapes, some of which corresponded to the shapes on the squares.

More Tests

One minute was allowed for the men to decide which shapes corresponded.

This was not difficult because the shapes were all the right way up and could easily be judged by eye. But the last test was more difficult because the shapes, in addition to being more complicated, were upside down or at an angle different from those in the squares.

It required considerable judgment and a good eye to decide which was which.

The third and fourth tests were so difficult that, I was told, only architects and draughtsmen, or others used to dealing with plans, usually got full marks in the time allowed.

The men were then put through two ingenious tests designed to indicate lightness of touch and control of machinery.

First, they came out one by one and were shown a slate on which were engraved two wavering lines with a narrow track between them, only a fraction of an inch in width.

The two sides of the track were electrically charged so that a metal pencil was attracted on the track it came in contact with a buzz or tickle had been touched.

The test consisted of running over the track with the metal pencil without touching the sides and setting up a penalising buzz.

No one, I was told, has ever done this with fewer than about twenty buzzes, and the average number is fifty.

By Touch

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"The tests give us something to go on," said the officer.

"They show, for instance, that it would be a waste of man power to train a fellow who has perfect hand and an ammunition dumper, while it would be equally wasteful to expect a man, who cannot do the simplest tasks, to master the intricacies of the predictor, or to be a good No. 1 or Number 10."

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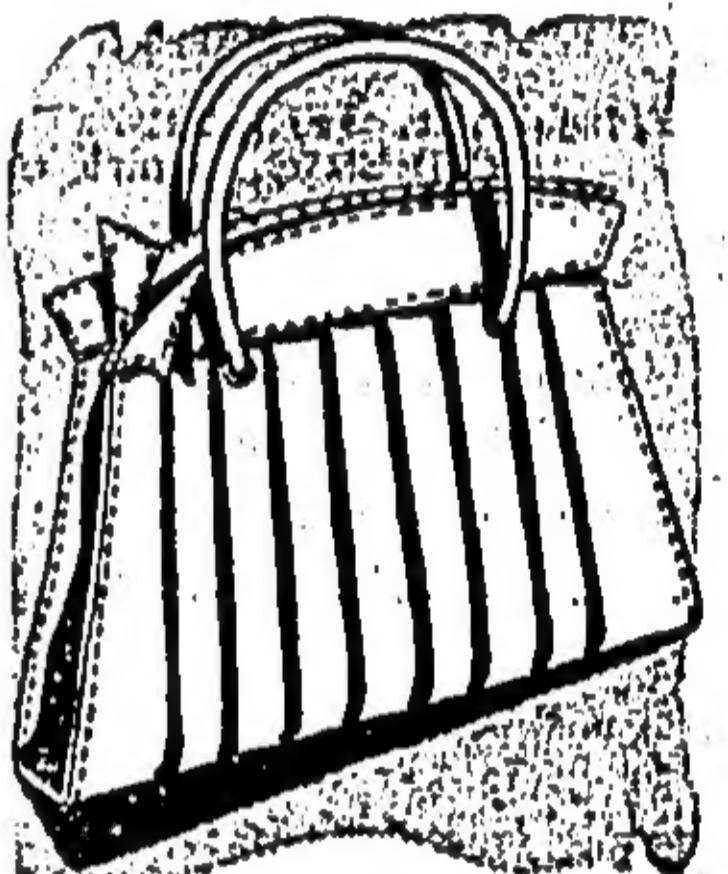
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CIRENAICA RETREAT

POPULAR reaction to the British withdrawals from Cirenaica has perforce leaned towards puzzlement mixed with some anxiety. What do they portend? has been the question generally asked. It is impossible to give an emphatic answer, but certain points can be, and should-be-taken-into consideration.

It must be remembered that Britain, in her Mediterranean and African campaign has been faced with three responsibilities. Firstly, the safeguarding of Egypt; secondly, the destruction of the Italian empire in East Africa; thirdly, the needs of our Balkan Allies. It has been impossible to conduct that campaign without taking cognisance of these three factors collectively. Hence, the brilliant offensive in the Western Desert in which Graziani's huge and splendidly equipped army was routed, had of necessity, to be a prelude both to the successful completion of the campaign in East Africa which has finally destroyed the Italian empire, and to the release of certain troops for the impending Balkans war.

It now seems clear that General Wavell set himself a time-table to which he and his troops have adhered with almost miraculous precision. His skilful disposition of troops and his strategy cannot be challenged, and because he has proved his worth, confidence in his judgment, remains unimpaired.

The knowledge that Nazi mechanised and infantry forces in considerable numbers have been able to land in Tripoli from Sicily is unpalatable, and it would be unrealistic to ignore the potential danger of the present advance by Axis forces in Cirenaica. But this, of itself, does not necessarily change the essentials of the Mediterranean and Middle East situation. The original Wavell advance in North Africa was primarily and almost exclusively for the purpose of crushing and defeating an army; it was not designed to capture and hold comparatively unimportant desert wastes, and harbours which had been blasted beyond usefulness. The purpose was accomplished; the threat to Egypt was dissolved and the subsequent reduction of the rest of Mussolini's overseas possessions realised.

The withdrawals from Cirenaica are obviously strategical in design; they are costing us but little in men or material; meanwhile the British Command can make its plans for full resistance in its own time and choosing its own place. The successful conclusion of the East African campaign is certain to release for use elsewhere thousands of "blooded" British soldiers, whose own equipment has been reinforced by huge quantities of captured material; and it is conceivable that these will be the men who will stop the Axis advance in North Africa when and where it is desired. It is in this perspective that the British withdrawals from Cirenaica should be viewed.



**An Easter Message By
A. J. CRONIN**

Author of "Hatter's Castle," etc.

IN those days when my medical practice took me through the grimy alleys and dingy one-roomed tenements of the slums of a great city, I had a patient who has ever since lived in my recollection.

She was an Irishwoman, past fifty, worn, beshawled, wrinkled as a walnut, raddled with work and misfortune and sickness.

If ever anyone had learned by heart the bitter lesson of the poor, surely it was she. And now, at the end of a life of unbelievable vicissitude, she lay stricken with a lingering, incurable disease . . . tuberculosis of the throat.

A harrowing picture, and one I might have spared you, save for the fact that it provides me

of their dejection. All light was gone, all hope seemed lost!

Then came the cry: "Christ is risen! The days of darkness and defeat are past! Christ is risen from the dead!"

And so, this Easter, above all times, we have the invitation to open our hearts to this everlasting light, to cast out the gloomy shadows of despair. To let Christ arise, not in the stereotyped lip service of clamorous, conflicting creeds, not in platitudes invoked to suit the policies of politicians, but in sweet tranquillity, secretly, within our breasts.

Make no mistake . . . this present chaos is no novelty.

MANKIND, through the ages, has known war before, and cruelty, torture, oppression, the ghastly stalemate of siege, the horrors of famine and of plague. And mankind has survived. Mankind has endured these horrors, not of its own seeking; has struggled from the pits into which, with cheering and with drums, it has been led, has emerged, triumphant, marching onwards to a gentler era, a period of recovery and peace.

In a universe where star light takes a hundred million years to travel to this planet, time cannot be measured by the pinpricks of one man's allotted span.

HITLER-like Hannibal, Attila, Napoleon, Ghengis Khan, and all who sought to dominate the Earth, each in his petty day of pillage and destruction acclaimed as Moloch, Precursor of Millennium . . . is no more than an illusion, a fleeting irritation, a gnat-alighting-for-an-instant-on-a glacier, when viewed from the standpoint of eternity.

The human soul, imbued with hope, is indestructible. No weapon forged by man or devil can ever vanquish it.

Amidst the savagery and beastliness of war, the heels of tramping armies cannot stamp out the seeds of nobility and truth. Beyond the insane tumult of the conflict there lies the promise of the skies.

Gentleness and kindness are immortal. The tyrant's bones will one day rot, and from that festering corruption will spring an Easter snowdrop.

Remember, remember, on the darkest day of all, Christ will rise again in the hearts of men!

There is always to-morrow.

BETTE DAVIS
and
CHARLES BOYER
in

ALL THIS AND HEAVEN TOO

Serialised by Harry Lee
From the Novel By

RACHEL FIELD

THE STORY SO FAR: Mademoiselle Henriette, governess in a titled Parisian family, is tried for the murder of her employer's wife, and acquitted. Through the aid of Henry Field, a young American preacher, she gets a position in an exclusive New York girls' school. Her pupils discover her past and taunt her. She is tempted to resign but Field induces her to face them, and by telling them her story, to win their respect. They listen breathlessly as she tells of her trip to Paris—the meeting with young Field—and of the Duke and Duchess and their children and of the insane jealousy of the Duchess. Mlle. Henriette saves the life of the youngest, but incurs the hatred of the Duchess. While she and her children are away, the Duke takes his daughter to the theatre and the governess accompanies them. The dailies blame the story and the Duchess sees it.

CHAPTER IV

MADAME LA DUCHESSE, in a state of blind fury at reading the papers, at once left Corsica for her Paris home, and with her came her aged father, the Marchese Sbastiani—Abbe Gullard, her confessor—and her younger children, Isabelle, Berthe and Raymond. On their arrival the children rushed happily to their beloved Mlle. Henriette, who shortly after was summoned to the gloomily magnificent chamber of the Duchess, where she was sternly confronted by the lady of the house, her father, and her priest.

"Ever since you have come here," the Duchess began with baleful eyes and voice, "you have carried on a deliberate campaign to steal away from me everything I love! But, oh, that you dared plan this latest insult! That while I was away you flaunted your hold over my husband in public, for the King and all Paris to see!"

"Please let me speak for myself, Madame! I resent this slander as much or more than you do."

"Do you realise what this slander as you call it, implies?"

"It is all too clear . . ."

"Then you admit it."

"I admit nothing, Madame. If you don't choose to believe me, you must believe facts—in this house, which is infested by Mme. Mallard, and your other spies, my every movement is known." Here the Duchess was called from the room and her ancient father insisted that should the governess go, it would only give credence to the ugly gossip.

He said that from then on his daughter and son-in-law would be seen together often, until the rumours died away.

Mlle. Henriette agreed to stay but as she came out she heard the frenzied voice of the Duchess. "And it is not enough that you humiliate me at home, without doing it in public? Is it not enough that she is my children's governess, without making her your companion?" As Henriette hurried past she heard the voice now shrill and pleading. "Inveity on me, Theo. If you have done this to punish me, believe me I am well corrected! Come back to me!"

Mlle. Henriette was in her room in a tumult of agitation and packing to leave, when the Duke appeared, his handsome face drawn and haggard. "Mademoiselle," he said desperately, "you mustn't go!"

"You shouldn't come here now, Monsieur. There is already enough trouble."

"I beg of you to remember the children . . . Raymond who owes his life, Louise, Isabelle, Berthe, who have learned to trust you!"

"They are young—they will forget," she answered in passionate defence. "There are some things that it is useless to fight against, Monsieur, and one of them is another woman's jealousy! She hates me! It will be better for all of us. She will be happier! And perhaps, in time, you and she—"

"Never."

"She loves you, Monsieur."

"What kind of love that drives me to madness!"

"I shouldn't have presumed to speak of love, at all, Monsieur. I have no right, and I ask you to forgive me."

"He pleaded in the name of the child, and she consented to stay on. (To be continued on Saturday.)

THE LIGHT OF THE WORLD

For this old woman made no life, sweeping mankind irrevocably about her wretchedness. Humanity, bloody beneath re-visits, I attempted a word of repeated bludgeonings of fate, awkward sympathy . . . making bound by the chains of tyranny, befuddled by the fog of battle, a truce with my conscience, as it were . . . she had always a smile, a bright shake of her head, and the same incorrigible unconquerable reply:

"Ah, now, doctor! What's your worry? Sure, there's always ways to-morrow!"

It wasn't her courage that struck me—though God knows she had enough of that! Nor yet her wry, invincible determination, expressed with the flowing romanticism of her race, to witness the breaking of another dawn.

It was something deeper, rarer: the shining practice of a virtue so neglected, so forgotten, it has ceased almost to exist.

Nowadays we are gorged with a diet of faith and charity—a stodgy diet, devoid of vitamins!

From the pulpits of Christendom we are urged to believe in God, to love our highly unlovable neighbours as ourselves.

AND through it all, through the sound and the fury of the exhortations, the world lies bathed in Stygian despair.

Down in the dark corners of many human hearts lies the morbid certainty that this barbarism, this lunatic convulsion of a power-drunk autocracy—the Saxon Eostre, emblem of final horror, the cataclysm which marks the twilight of the world, birth of hope in the souls of men, an avalanche annihilating all

that is good and beautiful in the earth.

The very name of Easter, from

call it what you wish—is the light, betokens the true significance of the festival, the remains of the conflict there lies the key to seek.

New life is everywhere, a sense of brightness and of light.

Light, indeed . . . Ah! That

is the key for which we blindly seek.

The tradition of Easter, from

the Saxon Eostre, emblem of

final horror, the cataclysm which marks the twilight of the world, birth of hope in the souls of men, an avalanche annihilating all

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On Good Friday, the peoples

were gorged with a diet of faith and charity—a stodgy diet, devoid of vitamins!

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Churchill Thanks U. S.; Warns Eire; Appreciates Petain

LONDON, Apr. 9 (Reuter).—In his address to the House of Commons, Mr Winston Churchill cordially welcomed Marshal Petain's declaration that France would neither act against her former ally nor take up arms against her.

"But we must, however, realise that the Vichy Government is in the hands of the Germans," he said.

"I wish to make it clear that we must maintain our blockade against Germany and those rights of contraband control over sea which have never been lost.

"Nevertheless, we have allowed in practice very considerable quantities of food to go to France out of a sincere desire to spare the French people every hardship in our power.

"When, however, it comes to thousands of tons of rubber and other vital war material which passes directly to the German armies, we are bound even at the risk of collision with French warships at sea to enforce our rights as recognised by International Law (Cheers).

"There is one other form of action into which Vichy might be led by the dictation of Germany, namely, the sending of powerful war vessels which are unfinished or even damaged from French African ports to ports in metropolitan France, which are either under the control of the Germans or may at short notice fall under their control. Such movements of French war vessels will alter the balance of naval power and would thus prejudice the interests of the United States as well as our own. Therefore, I trust that such incidents will be avoided or if they are not avoided, that the consequences which will follow from them will be understood and fairly judged by the French nation."

R.A.F. Growth

Mr Churchill continued: "I am glad to be able to report a continued and marked improvement in the relative strength of the R.A.F. as compared with that of Germany. Also I draw attention to the remarkable increase in its actual strength and in its bombing capacity, and also a marked augmentation in the power and size of the bombs which we shall be using in ever-increasing numbers.

The sorties which we are now accustomed to make upon German harbours and cities are increasing in numbers. In some cases, we have already in our raids exceeded, in severity anything which a single town has, in a single night, experienced over here. At the same time, there is a sensible improvement in our means of dealing with German raids upon this island. Now moonlight periods are looked forward to by the R.A.F. as opportunities for inflicting severe deterrent losses upon the raiders as well as for striking hard at the enemy in his own territory.

The fact that the technical advisers welcome the light-daylight, moonlight, starlight—is pregnant with hope and with meaning.

Battle of Atlantic

"But after all, everything turns upon the Battle of the Atlantic which is proceeding with growing intensity on both sides. Our losses in ships and tonnage are very heavy—and vast as are our shipping resources, these losses could not continue indefinitely

without seriously affecting our war effort. We have lost, since the beginning of the war, nearly 4,000,000 tons of British shipping. As against this, we have gained under the British flag over 3,000,000 tons of foreign or newly-constructed tonnage. Therefore, at the moment our enormous fleet still sail the sea without any serious or obvious diminution.

"But what is to happen if the losses continue at the present rate? Where are we to find another three or four million tons to fill the gap which is being created, to carry us on through 1942? We are building merchant ships upon a very considerable scale. We are doing our utmost to accelerate the turn-round of our ships. But when all is said and done, the only way in which we can get through 1942 without a very sensible contraction of our war effort is by another gigantic building of merchant ships in the United States equal to the prodigy of output accomplished by the Americans in 1918.

American Tonnage

"We have an assurance that several millions of tons of American now-built shipping will be available for the common struggle during the course of next year (Cheers). Here then is an assurance upon which we may count for staying powers without which it will not be possible to save the world from criminals.

"I am confident that we shall succeed in coping with the attacks upon shipping in the Western and Northern Approaches. I hope that eventually the inhabitants of a sister island may realise that it is as much in her interests as it is in ours that her ports and airfields should be available for naval and air forces which must operate even further into the Atlantic.

"The defeat of the U-boats and surface raiders has been proved to be entirely a question of adequate escorts for convoys. It would indeed be disastrous if the great masses of weapons, munitions and instruments of war made with the toil and skill of American hands and loaned to us under the Aid to Britain Bill were to sink into the depths of the ocean and never reach the hard-pressed fighting line.

"It would be a result lamentable to us over here, and I cannot believe that it would be found acceptable to the proud and resolute people of the United States (Cheers).

U.S. Cutters Transferred

"I am authorised to state that ten United States revenue cutters, fast vessels of about 2,000 tons displacement with fine armament and a wide range of endurance, have already been placed at our disposal by the United States Government and will soon be in action. (Cheers).

"It is, of course, very hazardous to try to forecast in what direction Hitler will employ his military machine in the present year. He may at any time attempt an invasion of this island. It is—an order—from which we shall not shrink.

At the present moment, he is

Decorations For Flying

LONDON, Apr. 9 (British Wireless).—The King has approved making available to personnel of the Royal Navy and Royal Marines four coveted R.A.F. flying decorations, the D.F.C., D.F.M., A.F.C. and A.F.M.

It is intended that these distinctions should be for the flying personnel of the Fleet Air Arm. Who either have been individually lent to the R.A.F. or whose naval units were operating under the command of an air officer C-in-C.

Air force personnel serving with the F.A.A. are already eligible for certain naval decorations, D.S.C., C.G.M. and D.S.M.

Haakon's Words To His People

LONDON, Apr. 9 (Reuter).—King Haakon, broadcasting to-day on the anniversary of the assault on Norway, appealed to Norwegians to "do no rash act which may have serious consequences both for individuals and for the whole of our people."

"The days to come may be hard and you may have to endure even greater privations than you have yet known—but stand firm, do not lose courage, look confidently towards the not too distant day when Norway will rise again."

Roosevelt's Son For Yugo-Slavia?

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

WASHINGTON, Apr. 9 (UP).—It is authoritatively stated that Captain James Roosevelt, eldest son of the President, is tentatively arranging to proceed to Yugo-Slavia as observer for the United States Marine Corps.

TWO-DAY EASTER MEET

Calliope H'cap (Second Section)

Several Good Ponies With Small Burdens

LOOKING over the last event, Calliope Handicap (second section) for "B" class Australian ponies, one cannot fail to see the inclusion of a few good ponies with low imposts.

Rowan heads the list with only 152 lb. while Happy Landings has to carry 158 lb. Second from the bottom is Lady Northcote's Devonian.

As matter of fact all the racers are very low.

On past performances Rowan

should win, but it looks that Devonian will be a menace to his success.

Pumpernickel will again have Mr Pith in the saddle, and the combination is sure to be one of the favourites.

Wyalong Stakes

Scramble For Non-Winning Australians

WE ARE BOUND to have a big field for the Wyalong Stakes confined to non-winning Australian griffins of this season, and anything may happen because it is a scramble from the 1½ mile post (about half mile 170 yards).

On the book I like Hincossey, with Louis Standi and Misty View to fill the lower positions.

The Nineteenth Hole has had only two public outings with no stake money in the "cup", but the mare is a good animal and she is worth an investment of \$5 each way.

Hornpipe and Pigtail, both from the Quartermaster's stable, could not start at the annual meeting on account of lameness, and I have reason to believe that neither will upset the applecart.

Teeing -Off Times At Fanling

The following are the Royal Hongkong Golf Club starting times for Fanling for Sunday (The Shanghai Visitors' Cup):

OLD COURSE
9.20 K. S. Murdoch, J. J. Fenwick.
9.22 H. H. Mundt, K. S. Robertson.
9.30 D. I. Bonaparte, J. L. C. Pearce.
9.35 G. M. Park, C. W. E. Bishop.
9.40 Liner, J. J. van Muijen.
9.45 W. J. Keay, J. H. H. Smith.
9.50 A. N. Bourne, H. Young.
9.55 J. Harrop, T. Low.
10.00 W. J. Keay, W. C. Schewen.
10.05 W. N. Smith, J. H. D. Dennis.
10.10 D. S. Robb, S. L. Lloyd.
10.15 D. A. Baker Carr, H. Forrest.
10.20 A. B. Purves, F. A. Redmond.
10.25 F. A. Howard, T. Ferguson.
10.30 N. H. Overly, A. D. Humphreys.
10.35 H. Avery, W. J. E. Mackenzie.
10.40 F.-D. Hunter, T.-A. Peares.
10.45 G. W. Reeve, Col. E. D. Matthews.
10.50 J. A. Farrah, W. G. Robertson.
10.55 A. McKeellar, N. K. Littlejohn.

KOWLOON C.C. TEAM

For their Second Division League Cricket match against Craigengowar at Cox's Road ground on Saturday, the Kowloon C.C. will be represented by: S. A. Gray (Capt.), E. Curtis, T. A. Madar, K. M. Baxter, W. C. Goodwin, G. M. Murdoch, R. J. Ferguson, R. Rapley, G. E. Taylor and H. Brookeshire, with W. W. Parsons as 12th man. Scorer: T. W. Carr.

DIAMOND WORKS FOR LONDON

When Germany invaded Belgium the diamond merchants of Antwerp and other cities took as much as possible of their stocks and fled in cars, on bicycles and on foot across France for London.

They carried hundreds of thousands of pounds worth of diamonds "in the rough"; diamonds that had neither been cut nor polished.

With the merchants were their expert cutters and polishers.

To-day the employers and the employees have opened in London a new factory—the first war-time factory for Allied refugees.

Government Backing

For many reasons it is not possible to reveal the site of this factory. Undoubtedly, the enemy would like to know the whereabouts of this new London industry which, the experts say, will produce at least £500,000 worth of diamonds.

The factory has the backing of the British Government and of the British diamond merchants in London.

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Calliope H'cap (First Section)

Duel Between Gloaming And Connieber

THERE ARE FOUR Australian youngsters of this season coupled with the same amount of old timers in the Calliope Handicap (first section) for "B" class ponies, and the race is over a distance from the two mile post, once round and in. Starlight has been penalised 10 lb. for his fine success in the Stewards' Cup, and the question at issue is whether he can give lead to A Happy Time, Gloaming and Marsh Warrioress.

I am inclined to believe that Gloaming has the pull of weights, and I fancy the mare's chances with a proviso that she will run.

A Happy Time has not fully recovered after pulling up "dicky" in the Austral Derby, but it should not be overlooked that he annexed the Austral Valley Stakes in easy fashion.

Of the old brigade, Connieber has been kindly treated, and we should therefore, see a good race between Mr Bradbury's candidate and Mr Brandbury's candidate and Gloaming.

Taiwan Bay H'cap

(First Section)

AN INTERESTING PROBLEM FOR PUNTERS

BY ANNEXING the Lingnan Handicap in Macao last Sunday Lovely Star has incurred a penalty of 7 lb. in the Taiwan Bay Handicap (first section) for "D" class China ponies over a mile, and the race is to be ridden by novice jockeys.

The recent demotion of several "C" class ratters coupled with the inclusion of a few China pony griffins of this season to this section has presented a fascinating problem, and furthermore, it is not easy to follow up the handicapper's line nor is it easy to spot the winner.

However, my best three are Blue Field, Eve of Hunting and Strathbannock.

Quiet Day In Britain

LONDON, Apr. 9 (Reuter).—No alert was sounded in the London area up to a late hour to-night.

One enemy aircraft was destroyed during fighter patrols over enemy-occupied coast to-day.

One British fighter is missing.

There was no enemy air activity over Britain to-day, states an Air Ministry communiqué.

POPE AND PEACE

BERNE, Apr. 9 (Reuter).—The Pope's plan to make a peace appeal in his Easter address is believed to have been changed. The address precedes the blessing of "Urbi et Orbi" on Sunday.

A message from Rome states that following the extension of the war to the Balkans, the Pope feels that it is impossible to make a peace move at the present time.

U.S. Coal Strike Agreement

NEW YORK, Apr. 9 (Reuter).—That the agreement in the bituminous coal industry strike "is sufficient to assure the country that there will be no danger of a coal shortage" is announced by Mr J. R. Steelman, the Federal Government negotiator in the dispute.

He did not indicate when the bituminous mines would re-open.

New Naval Chief

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

TOKYO, Apr. 9 (UP).—The Navy to-day officially announced that Admiral Osamu Nagano, a member of the Supreme War Council, has been appointed Chief of the Naval General Staff, succeeding Fleet Admiral Prince Hirobayashi Fushimi.

Diplomatic Maneuvres

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

WASHINGTON, Apr. 9 (UP).—The Italian Government has agreed to the withdrawal of the Italian Naval Attaché, Admiral Laia, who has asked for the withdrawal of the Assistant Naval Attaché to the American Embassy at Rome, Captain William Bentley.

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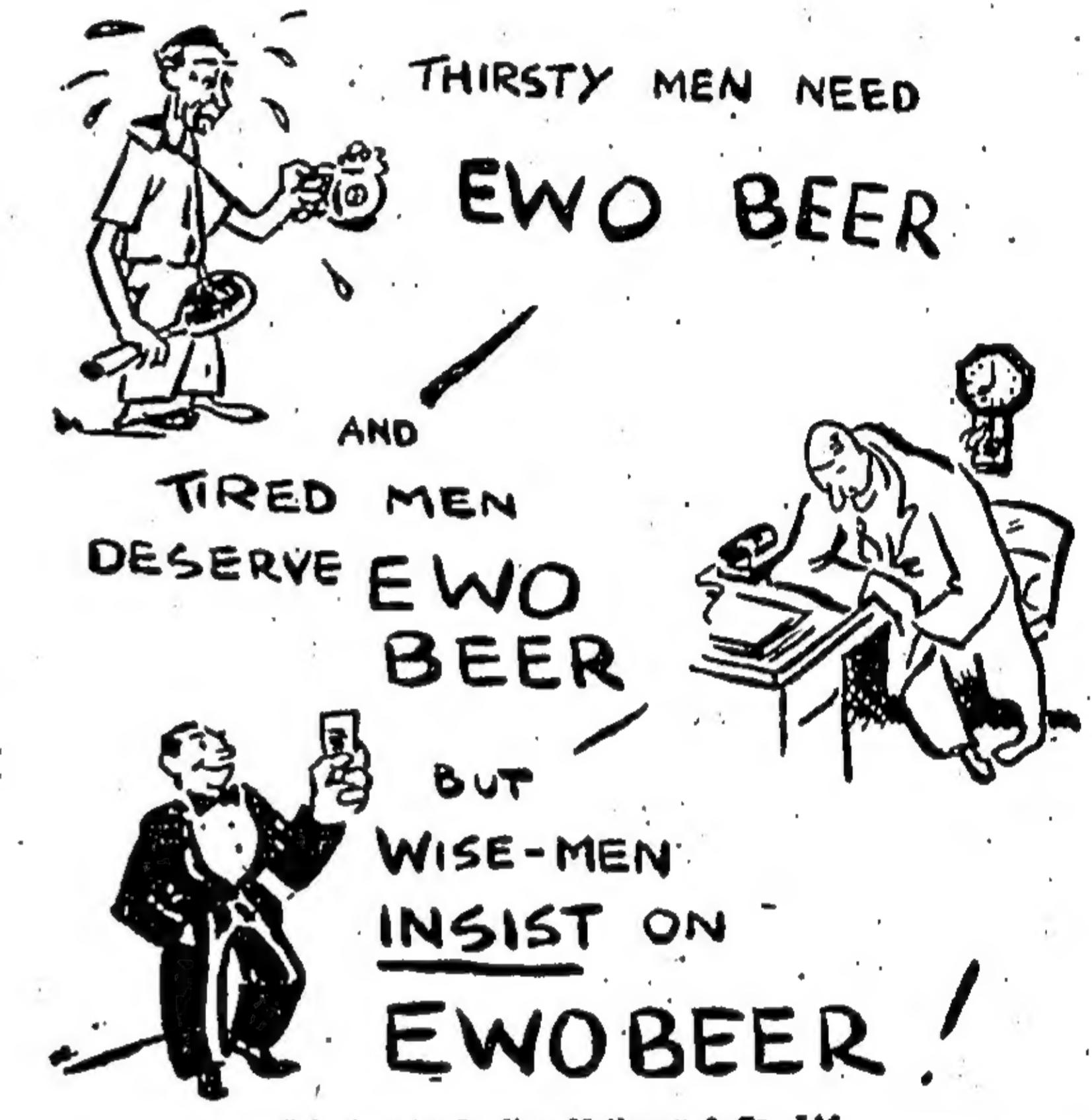
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Australian Diamond And Peter Wei Hard To Beat

THE BRISBANE SPRING HANDICAP for Australian subscription ponies of any season over two miles has been slightly modified with a clause prohibiting "A" class ponies that have won \$2,000 or more in stakes since January 1, 1941. This, of course, has precluded the entry of Endeavour, Sapper, United Express and Viceroy, but even at that we have still left a nice bunch of stayers.

The top weight is jointly shared by Australian Diamond and Baffin Bay. By the way, Mr T. K. Li has sold Baffin Bay to Mr S. W. Lee, and I wonder whether the new acquisition with Mr Chao in the saddle will bring luck to the stable, which won the first long distance outing of last year with Amicus Curiae?

Dangerous Pony

ON the strength of her running second in the Melbourne Cup over the same course, I am of the opinion that Australian Diamond with Mr Peter Wei up will take a lot of beating, and the most dangerous is Brutus, the winner of Ladles' Purse. Mr Trevorton's candidate has a pull of a stone, and the bay is looking none the worse after his smart win in the Australian Grand National with a burden of 188 lb. over two miles.

Centre Court, who annexed the Benihai Handicap over two miles, is nicely weighted with only 149 lb. to shoulder. But I am afraid that the old maid of 1936 class may find the pace too hot for her liking.

Brown Derby (D. Black), Rowan (H. Heaney) and Vanly Fair (P. Botelho) have never been over this course before, but I do not expect them to upset calculations.

Rosehill Stakes
(Second Section)

Fresh Air Becomes A Problem Again

WE SHOULD SEE an interesting scurry in the second section of the Rosehill Stakes for Australian subscription ponies of 1941 from the 1½ mile post (about half mile 170 yards).

The issue should be between Fresh Air, Gold Rod and Newborn Star, preference being given to the first named gee-gee, with a proviso that the buy will keep to the const at the entrance of the home stretch. There is no question about her speed, and Fresh Air has cost the public a huge sum of money. She was heavily stalked to win the Sandringham Plate (six furlongs) in a field of 24 runners, and the mare finished third behind Maple Leaf and Optima Fide, to the disgust of 4,118 backers.

However, with a bit of luck Fresh Air should run away with the race because the opposition in my mind is not too strong.

A Fine Time, Castle Hill, Double Dutch and Flying Fortress have never appeared before Mr Potts and there is reason to believe that they are not yet trimmed for the fight.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

University Cricket

Sir.—I note from yesterday's issue of the Hongkong Telegraph that Mr R. Abbit has again made a hasty statement which implies slackness on the part of the University Cricket Club. In view of the fact that it is nothing but a misrepresentation of facts, I do not feel inclined to overlook the matter.

The University suggested in writing on March 11 to play off its fixture with the C.S.C.C. on the 29th of that month. This was confirmed on the 13th by the representative of the C.S.C.C. (I am sure even Mr R. Abbit will realize that I could not have received the reply on March 13 if I had sent the letter on the 24th of the same month).

There was no other communication with the C.S.C.C. until Tuesday, March 25, when a letter was written to the C.S.C.C. representative asking for a postponement of the game fixed for March 29 due to Volunteer activities.

It should be noted that cancellation of the fixture was made 4 days before the match, and not one day as stated by Mr R. Abbit.

Having given the facts, I think it is hardly necessary for me to repeat to Mr R. Abbit what I have told him before. That is, to be perfectly sure of his facts before making any statement whatever.

But then, I suppose, Mr Abbit had to find something to write about.

S. MAHMOOD,
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Badminton Title To St John's

St John's became champions of the B division of the badminton league for the second year in succession when they beat Chung Wah 6-3 in the inter-sectional play-off at Recreio last night. H. C. Eardley and D. Kwok beat P. C. Leung and K. F. Choy 21-12; beat C. F. Chu and S. C. Liang 21-15; beat W. C. and W. H. Choy 21-12; beat P. Wilson and A. A. Smith, beat Loeng and Chu 21-9; beat Chu and Liang 21-11; beat Choy and Choy 21-8. G. Ladd and N. Whitley lost to Loeng and Chu 9-21; lost to Chu and Liang 4-21; lost to Choy and Choy 2-21.

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THE ADDITIONAL two events in each day of the Easter Meeting of the Hongkong Jockey Club give us whole-day racing, and punters are reminded that the first saddling bell on Saturday and Easter Monday will be rung at 11 a.m. sharp.

Those who are unable to attend the meet before lunch are informed that the fifth event on both days is timed to run off at 2.30 p.m. after the tiffin interval.

MIDDLESEX WIN ARMY BOXING

Title Decided On Last Fight

The last fight of the evening, the first string welterweights between L/Cpl McGready (Royal Scots) and Drum Major Holdford (Middlesex) decided the Army Inter-Unit team boxing championship last night when Royal Scots beat Middlesex 23-22 to retain the Championship Shield and Governor's Trophy for the second year in succession.

Some of the finest sport in many years was witnessed and two bouts in particular produced an excellent standard.

His Excellency the Governor, Sir Geoffrey Northcote, the General Officer Commanding, Major-General A. E. Grassett, Mr J. P. Pennefather-Evans, new Commissioner of Police, were present.

Major Curran, R.A.M.C., was referee during the first half and the Judges were Capt. T. W. Chichester and Brigadier Major Brown. Major Holdford was referred to as the best half and judges were Lieut-Col. McPherson, R.A.O.C., and Capt. Hewitt, Lieut. Willoughby, who was timekeeper.

Bantamweight
Pte Hope (Middlesex) beat Pte Bailey (Royal Scots) on points.

Pte Noble (Middlesex) beat L/Cpl More (Royal Scots), knockout, first round. Pte Law (Royal Scots) beat Pte Winklow (Middlesex) on points.

We can look forward to a grand meeting, but it is earnestly hoped that the Clerk of the Weather will generously provide a glorious day to the Easter holiday makers.

Johnber To Make Amends

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Gay Star is nicely weighted and the bay may spring a surprise.

Hillsboro Bay has been allotted 142 lb. only, and should the Jockey be able to tip the scale, the combination is worth following.

Another Close Finish

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At any rate, the mare has improved considerably, and Oonagh should give a good account of herself.

With her coat shining like an apple, Rose Emily should present her card to claim the first prize and it is learned that Mr Poy will be the jockey.

Eve of Dancing and Galaxy have no cause to complain about the lead, and the former should be well up at the finish.

The Hon. Secretaries of Tennis Clubs intending to participate in the League, are reminded that entries must reach the Hon. Secretary of the Hongkong Tennis Association, Mr C. J. Gaechi, c/o Kowloon Cricket Club by Wednesday next, accompanied by representatives' names (with addresses and telephone numbers) for each division entered.

Registered players for the various divisions must also be sent in, according to New Rule No. 4 which states: "At least one week before the commencement of the League season every Club participating in the League shall register with the League Secretary the names of four players in the nucleus of every team entered in the A, B and C divisions. Six registered players will not be allowed during the season to play in any lower division than that for which they are registered."

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Rosehill Stakes
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"Pilgrim's" Hockey Notes will appear in Saturday's issue, there being no issue of the Hongkong Telegraph to-morrow.

Hongkong Bay H'cap

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Taiwan Bay H'cap
(Second Section)

Anything May Happen Among The Novices

THE SECOND LEG of the daily double event is on the Taiwan Bay Handicap (second section) for "D" class China ponies over the mile, and this race is to be ridden by novices.

In a race of this sort anything may happen, but I have reason to say that West Lake, Sunlight View and Portrush should cross the wire in that order.

Mirs Bay Stakes

Wonderful Scheme Appears To Be A Certainty

IT WILL BE RECALLED that Lt-Cdr D. H. S. Craven, who got a bad "ender" at the Annual Carnival, has not donned silk since February 18, but it looks to me that the "hardy heart of oak" will be seen in action on Wonderful Scheme in the opening event, Mirs Bay Stakes, for non-winning China pony griffins of this season.

Since his return to the training track about a fortnight ago the Comander has been doing trotting exercises, but last Saturday he gave Wonderful Scheme a sharp spin over six furlongs, and the distance was covered in 1.333 romping home in 30 seconds for the Inst quartier. There was a perfect rhythm in the combination, and there was certainly nothing wrong with his right arm.

The bay mare, however, ran a good third behind Falber and Sam's Choice in the Grand Stand Stakes (six furlongs) in 1.26, and with the first two out of the course on Saturday, Wonderful Scheme is a book certainty. I recommend Iron Beauty and Odeon as place-getters.

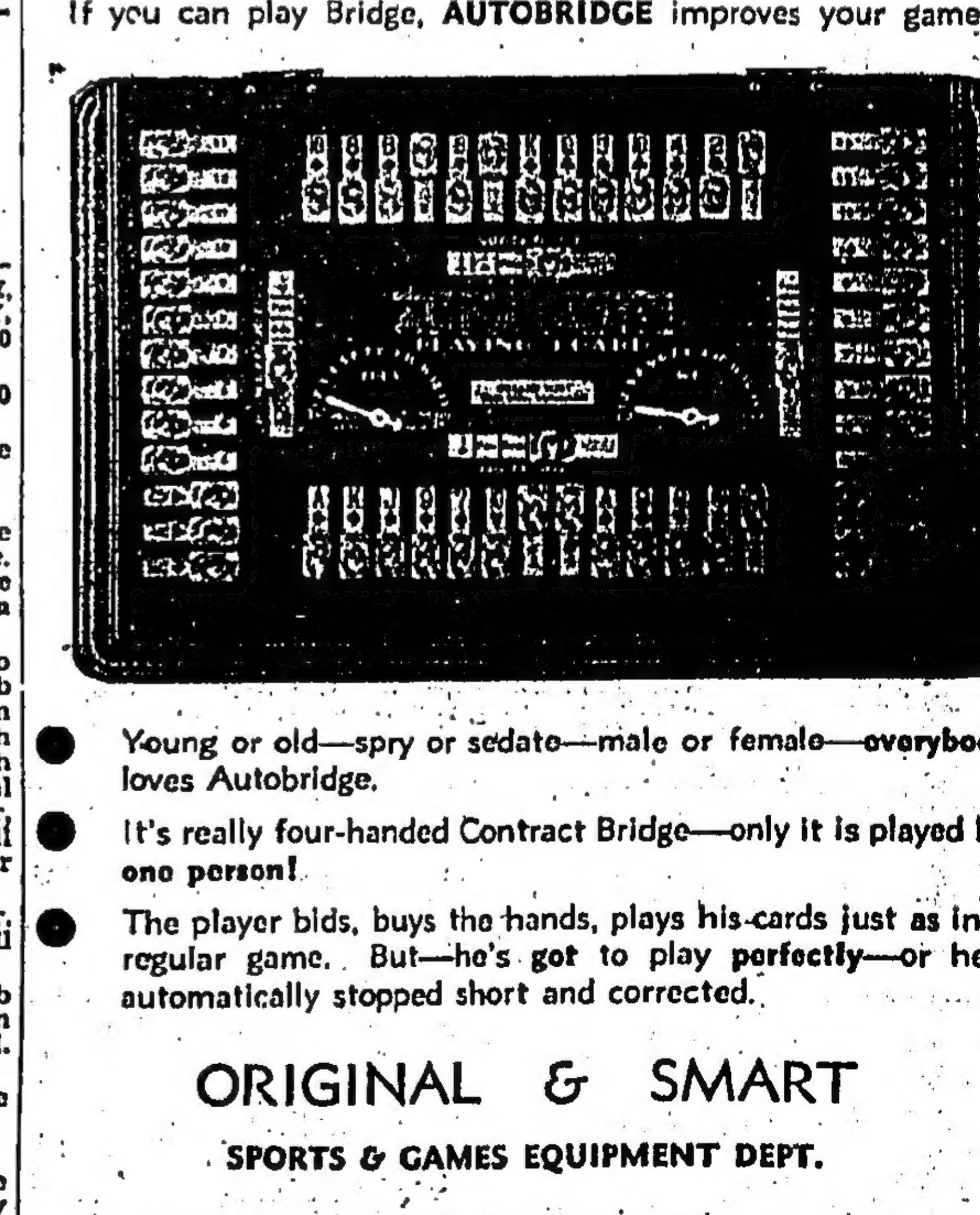
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American Views On British Censorship

There is apparent in what are generally called official circles in London some slight irritation with America's "censorship complex." It arises, perhaps, from the conviction that there are more important issues, plus the belief that Americans are not entitled to substantially greater or more sensational news than the British public, states "PM's" London correspondent.

London censorship is often slow and inefficient; sometimes downright stupid. But, on the basis of a fair amount of experience with totalitarian censorship, I am convinced that London's policy is the most liberal anywhere, continues the correspondent.

It is obviously true that information designed to aid or assist Britain's enemies is suppressed; but no hard working reporter in Britain is dependent entirely upon "official spokesmen" for his information.

For example, last July I saw in detail defences of the most vulnerable English coastline, was permitted to talk with the captains of the gun crews and was told how much ammunition they had—or rather didn't have.

Inspects Defences

I saw seven miles of open beach covered by one antiquated naval gun, pillboxes without Bren guns and all the other improvised and inadequate defences of this island. At the time it was forbidden to reveal this information and, indeed, I made no attempt to do so.

But, on the basis of those observations and with the knowledge of what has been done since then, it is certainly safe to say—without the assistance of this mysterious "military spokesman"—that, if the Germans' attempt invasion now, it will cost them 100 men for every one they would have lost in June or July.

Alfred Duff Cooper, Minister of Information, summed up the position of British censorship while talking with American correspondents the other day. He said:

"If it's a question of providing Americans with a big headline or of providing the Germans with useful information, you won't get your headline."

Tradition Of Tolerance

Censorship in wartime is inevitable. It is irritating and unpleasant, but it may be useful to remember that, while British censors occasionally tell us what we can't say, they never try to tell us what we must say or write, says the "PM" representative.

In Britain the tradition of tolerance is strong. So far as censorship is concerned military secrets are sacred. But comment is free. For how much of the rest of Europe is the same he said?

In a large measure, of course, one must rely on official communiques for military, air and naval news. No impartial neutral observers were there when the incident occurred.

The German communiques are still printed in Britain and no one has been headed or thrown into gaol for listening to a German broadcast.

No responsible reporter would be wise to be placed in the position of defending any censorship. It is our job to fight it. But it is to be remembered that the British censors are inexperienced—censorship is not exactly in the British tradition, concludes the message.

U.S. To Have 300,000 Men In Navy

By the addition of 42,000 to its existing strength the personnel of the United States Navy will be raised to close on 300,000 officers and men. Including reserves, the authorised total was hitherto 251,448, out of which 239,281 were on duty by the end of September last.

Until this year American warships have been organised in two main divisions—the United States Fleet, with its main bases in California and Hawaii, and the Asiatic Fleet. A section of the former, based on the east coast, was known as the Atlantic Squad of the United States Fleet. It comprised a training unit formed by the four oldest battleships, one of which was demilitarised some years ago, a division of cruisers of the latest type, and a considerable number of destroyers and submarines.

This force is now to become a separate fleet. Presumably for some time to come the majority of new units will join it as they are commissioned.

Asiatic Fleet

The strength of the Asiatic Fleet has hitherto been comparatively modest, amounting only two or three cruisers, about a dozen destroyers, and a similar number of submarines, with some depot ships, minesweepers, gunboat and patrol vessels.

It is based on the Philippines, but in the event of war its strategic value would be greatly enhanced, as the British naval base at Singapore would be at its disposal.

A very large number of new warships are under construction or on order for the United States Navy, including 17 battleships, 12 aircraft-carriers, 48 cruisers, 100 destroyers and 80 submarines.

After the transfer to Britain of 50 destroyers designed during the last war—the United States Navy retains in all about 170 destroyers, half of which are modern. Nearly all are in full commission.

War Without Cheers For Nazi Germany

In the first of a series of articles on conditions inside Germany Wallace Deuel, who has just returned to the United States after six years in Berlin as correspondent of the "Chicago Daily News," describes the feeling of hopelessness which he found in Hitler's Reich.

"It is true," he writes, "that Germany has risen again, but the price in wear and tear of the people's nerves has been appalling, and millions of Germans have ceased to believe, if they ever did, that it is possible to hope for rewards which would be worth the price."

"The German people are tired, as few people in the world have ever been tired without breaking down. In a single generation they have gone through a major war, a starvation blockade and a catastrophic defeat. They have had two revolutions.

They have had their currency wiped out altogether once and have been seriously threatened with the same fate again.

"They've had the same exhausting and disillusioning experiences of depression as the rest of the world has had, and now they have entered on a new war."

All Except The Last

"They are winning all the battles in the new war, it is true. But they too—all the battles in the last war, too—all except the last—and they have never forgotten it."

"Until the last battle in this war has been fought and won it will be hard for millions of Germans to believe it will be won at all. And, besides, unless that last battle is fought and won soon enough what good will victory be to the Germans? The longer the war lasts the more the Germans will wonder if it is worth fighting."

Silent Men

"Scores of times I have seen columns of motorised troops pouring through Berlin and half a dozen other cities on their way to the front, first towards Poland and later towards the West. But among all these columns I have only seen and



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Duke's Orchids Lead To Action For Libel

The Duke of Westminster's orchids were mentioned in the King's Bench Division, London, recently, when the settlement was announced of a libel action in which the Duke was the plaintiff and the defendants were Daily Mirror Newspapers, Ltd.

Mr Valentine Holmes, for the Duke, said that the *Daily Mirror*, under the heading "Cassandra," and entitled "Frangrant Fragments," published this:

"Just a couple of paragraphs leisurely snipped from the news—

"Six hundred and forty-three children under 10 were killed in air raids during the month of October."

The Duke of Westminster's famous collection of orchids has arrived in Florida in 15 packing cases, and will be cared for until the end of the war by an expert florist.

Lord Haw-Haw Cited

"The obvious suggestion, that the Duke is spending money in sending orchids to America and having them cared for there while poor children, whose parents cannot afford to send them across the water, are being killed, is as offensive and damaging as it is untrue," said Mr Holmes.

"How widely such unfounded statements can be spread, and how damaging they can be, is perhaps best shown by the fact that the announcer on the *Bremen* radio, who is usually known as Lord Haw-Haw, repeated them for German propaganda purposes."

The statement was reverse of the truth, he went on. Since the outbreak of war the Duke had been at great pains to cut down his expenditure on his hothouse and flower gardens to an absolute minimum, and to use them only in a way which would assist the national effort to produce food. He had sold orchid plants of great value, and a number had been resold to America, which produced American currency for this country.

Agreed To Settlement

As soon as the true facts were brought to their notice, defendants indicated their willingness to do everything in their power to avert the consequences of the mistake into which they had unwittingly fallen.

The Duke had therefore agreed to a settlement on terms which involved the payment of a sum of money which he would hand over to a charity concerning itself with the interests of children who suffered in air raids.

Mr G. O. Slade, for the defendants, said they desired to express their sincere regret to the Duke.

Mr Justice Wrottesley allowed the record in the case to be withdrawn.

THEY MEASURE MINDS

(Continued from Page 3.)

show no nervousness in the face of an enemy, become nervous in an examination room!

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NAZIS DID IT—Hitler's air raiders went to church in London and this is the result. Name of church is not given. The bomb smashed through the roof and created such havoc that worshippers will be unable to hold services here for some time to come.

Bevin On Peace Basis: Lesson of Nazi Fake

"The commonwealth idea, on the basis of equality, must be the basic principle of the future security and prosperity of the world," declared Mr Ernest Bevin, Minister of Labour, addressing members of the Foreign Press Association at a luncheon in London.

In the post-war years, he declared, people will be less concerned about political sovereignty than about free institutions and the advancement of the standard of life.

"I believe the next 'war' after this one will be declared, not between races or nations, but on poverty, ignorance, desolation and all kinds of things that have ailed humanity—many of which have been used and exploited in the past for political aggrandizement and the wrong kind of war."

What he had in mind on that last point was indicated when Mr Bevin was discussing the rise of the Nazi philosophy in Germany.

The Versailles Treaty might have been good or bad, he said, but anyway the British people had no antagonism to a just revision.

Faked Clump

Other methods, however, were adopted. Artificial unemployment was created, based on pure economic disorder, by the great financial and vested interests of Krupps, Thyssen and others, to produce a political result.

The people of Germany were led to believe that a change of rulers would solve unemployment.

It had been "solved" by making weapons of destruction to be used in the killing of fellow men, in the destruction of liberty, and in an attempt to dominate the soul.

The present war was not solely for Britain and the British Commonwealth.

Fighting For Principle

We were fighting for a principle which, when established, would govern the conduct of humanity for generations to come.

Two ideologies had clashed. We stood for freedom, honour and social justice. On the other side was the philosophy of brute force, aggression, destruction of liberty and the loss of one's soul.

"We are only the front line. Everyone in the world is involved on one side or the other.

"There can be no neutrality between wrong and right."

A Great Idea

Referring to conditions to-day in Britain, Mr Bevin emphasised the determination to maintain the social services, not only in the number of shillings a week, but in their value.

They were determined so far as possible to do the same in respect of the great contribution made by the people in the form of war savings.

This was of importance to other countries besides ourselves.

If the value of our currency was maintained, there would be a quicker resumption of the free flow of trade immediately hostilities ceased.

All this linked up with the great idea put up by President Roosevelt that he should lend goods and we should repay in goods.

It went farther than helping to win the war now. It took us out of the hands of speculators in money at the end of the war.

Married Seventy Years Ago

Royal congratulations were received by Mr and Mrs John Jones, of Portway Top, Dymock, Gloucester, on the celebration of the seventieth anniversary of their wedding.

Mr Jones is 91, and his wife 89. Eight of their 11 children are living and they have 30 grandchildren and 28 great-grandchildren.

The King and Queen also sent congratulations on the diamond wedding of Mr and Mrs A. Wilson, of Beulah road, Tunbridge Wells.

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Stone Coffin Shelter

Labourer's Blitz Home
London, Apr. 9 (UP)—A 400-year-old stone coffin is the latest thing in air raid shelters. It lies in the crypt of Christ Church, Spitalfields, and is now the home of Michael O'Connor, an East End labourer.

Blasted from his home by a bomb three months ago, he has passed every night since, reading, eating and sleeping in the coffin.

"And very comfortable it is, too," he says.

Every morning, except Sunday when he has a "lie-in," Michael is awakened by his wife with a cup of tea. Then he goes off to work to face "checks" from his mates, such as "Hello, Mike, back from the dead."

The O'Connors, with their fifteen-year-old son, have made their corner of the crypt as "cozy" as possible.

Like The Dead!

Mrs O'Connor does not "fancy the coffin much," so she sleeps on the floor with her son while Michael sleeps "like the dead" in his strange bed.

"We slept in worse places," he says. "It's a bit draughty, but otherwise it's quite comfortable. There's plenty of room to move around."

"The first couple of nights I felt a bit strange and kept waking up, but I've got used to it now, and I sleep like a top. I feel safer down here than I do in a surface shelter, and I hope to stop here after the war."

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Girl of 15 Becomes High Constable of Scotland

By an event without precedent in the peerage, a girl of 15 has become Hereditary Lord High Constable of Scotland. She is Lady Diana Denys Hay, who has succeeded to the Scottish earldom of her father, and Earl of Erroll, whose death at Nairobi, Kenya, recently is being probed, Sir Elies Broughton being charged with murder.

The position of Hereditary Lord High Constable of Scotland, to which Lady Diana also succeeds, is an office held by the head of her family for 600 years. It was conferred on Sir Gilbert Hay, Lord of Erroll, by Robert Bruce in 1315.

The office gives Lady Diana precedence of every other hereditary Scottish honour and makes her, in fact, the first subject in Scotland after the blood-royal. The only other woman to hold the office was Mary Countess of Erroll, from 1718 to 1758.

Farming In Kenya

The Scottish earldom was created in 1542, and Lord Erroll, who was 39, was the 22nd holder of the title, to which he succeeded in 1528. He sat in the House of Lords as Baron Kilmarnock, a United Kingdom peerage created in 1631, and the heir to this title is his brother, the Hon. Gilbert Allan Rowland Hay, who was born in 1903. He married the Hon. Rosemary Guest, older daughter of the late Viscount Wimborne.

Lord Erroll, who took up farming in Kenya in 1923, was a member of the Kenya Legislative Council, and sat for the constituency of Klambu, a royal gesture.

A Royal Gesture

Lord Erroll, as Hereditary High Constable, walked in the Coronation procession in 1937, carrying a silver baton. It was one of his ancestors, the 16th Earl of Erroll, who appeared with his head covered in the presence of George III. He was in the King's Coronation procession, and, by accident, did not pull off his cap at the entrance of the King.

Afterwards, when he apologised, George III waved away both the apology and the cause of it, saying that he looked upon the presence of the Hereditary High Constable of Scotland at the ceremony as a very particular honour.

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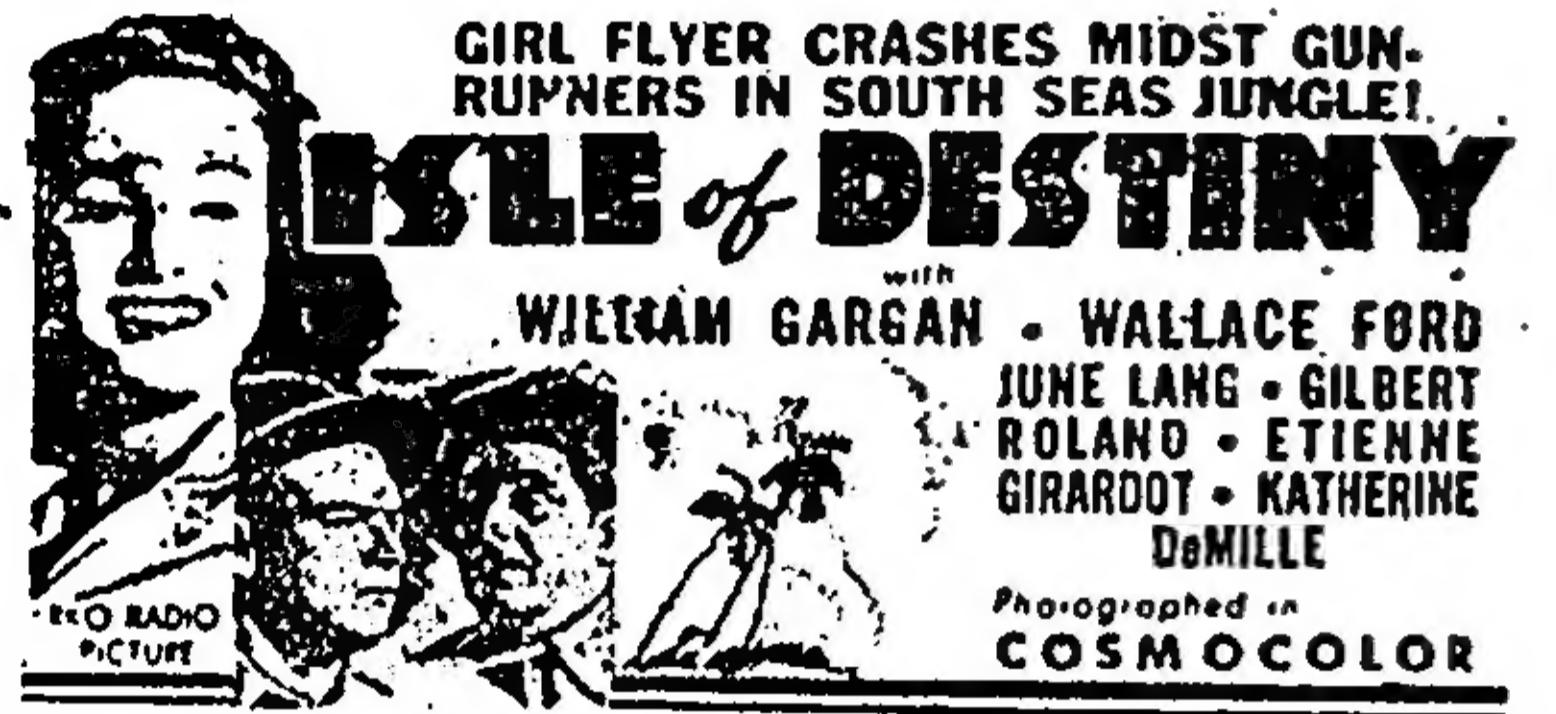
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and aircraft of the Free French Squadron.

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South African aircraft successfully attacked motor transport in the Asella area.

Enemy landing grounds in Crete were bombed and troop concentrations were continuously attacked.

From all operations, British aircraft returned safely.

Free French

KHARTUM, Apr. 9 (Reuter).—Musawa was occupied by Imperial and Free French forces at 2 p.m. on Tuesday.

The defenders abandoned their futile resistance against the ceaseless pressure of the British and Imperial forces and the white flag was again raised.

British and Imperial forces from Adowa and Adigrat are continuing their advance to the south towards the remnants of the Italian forces reported to be concentrated on Deesse, 150 miles north-east of Addis Ababa.

YUGO-SLAV AND GREEK FORCES

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Telovo, situated between Skopje and the Yugo-Slavian border. Both the German and Italian units are mechanized. Italian forces of at least two divisions started forward at dawn to-day and effected the meeting with the Germans, as prepared, at a Yugo-Slav mountain pass.

Military observers considered that to-day's operations completely isolated Yugo-Slavia from all possible assistance by land—either through Greece or Turkey, and the fighting in Yugo-Slavia will tend to become more like guerrilla warfare before the end of the week.

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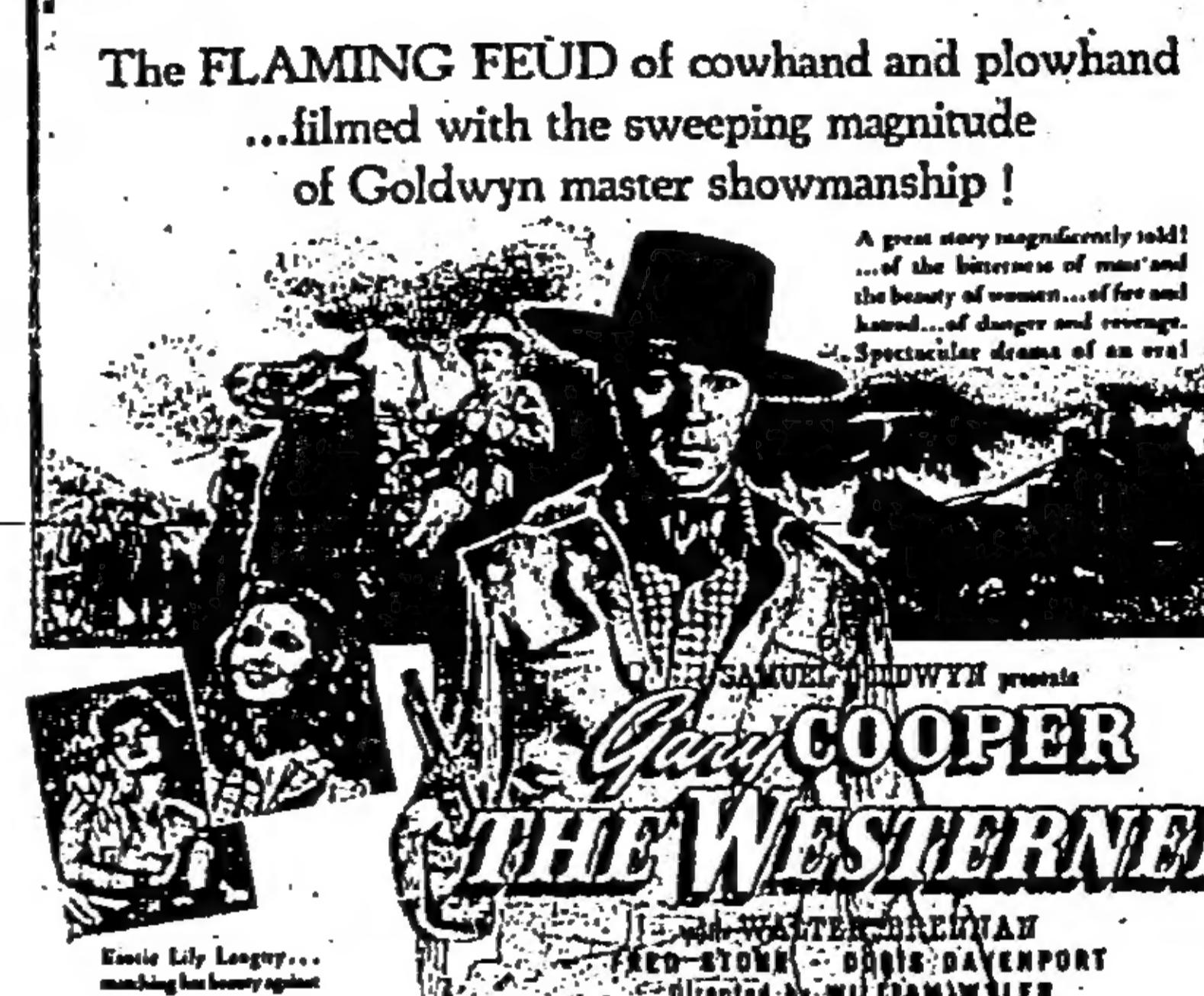
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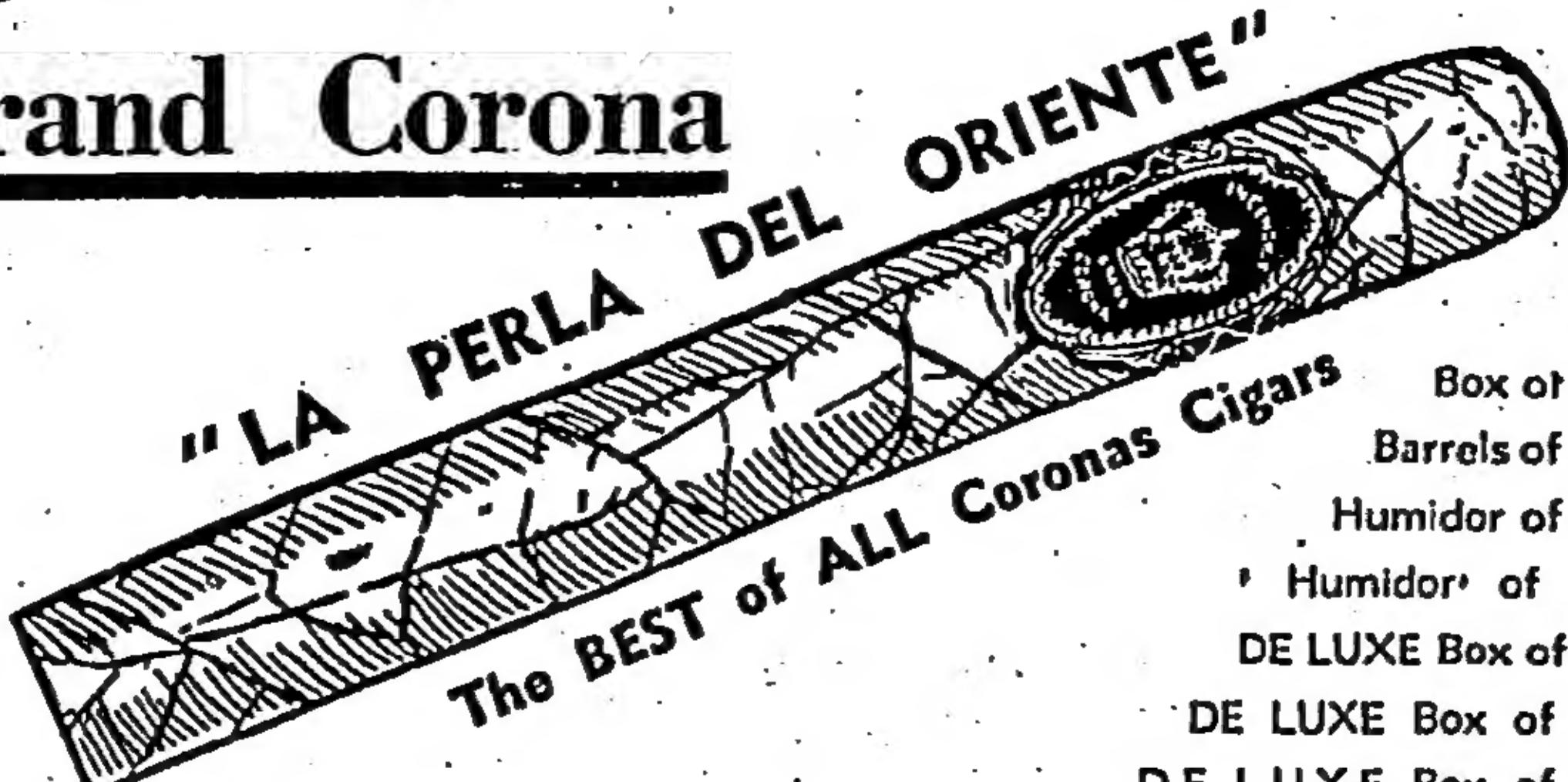


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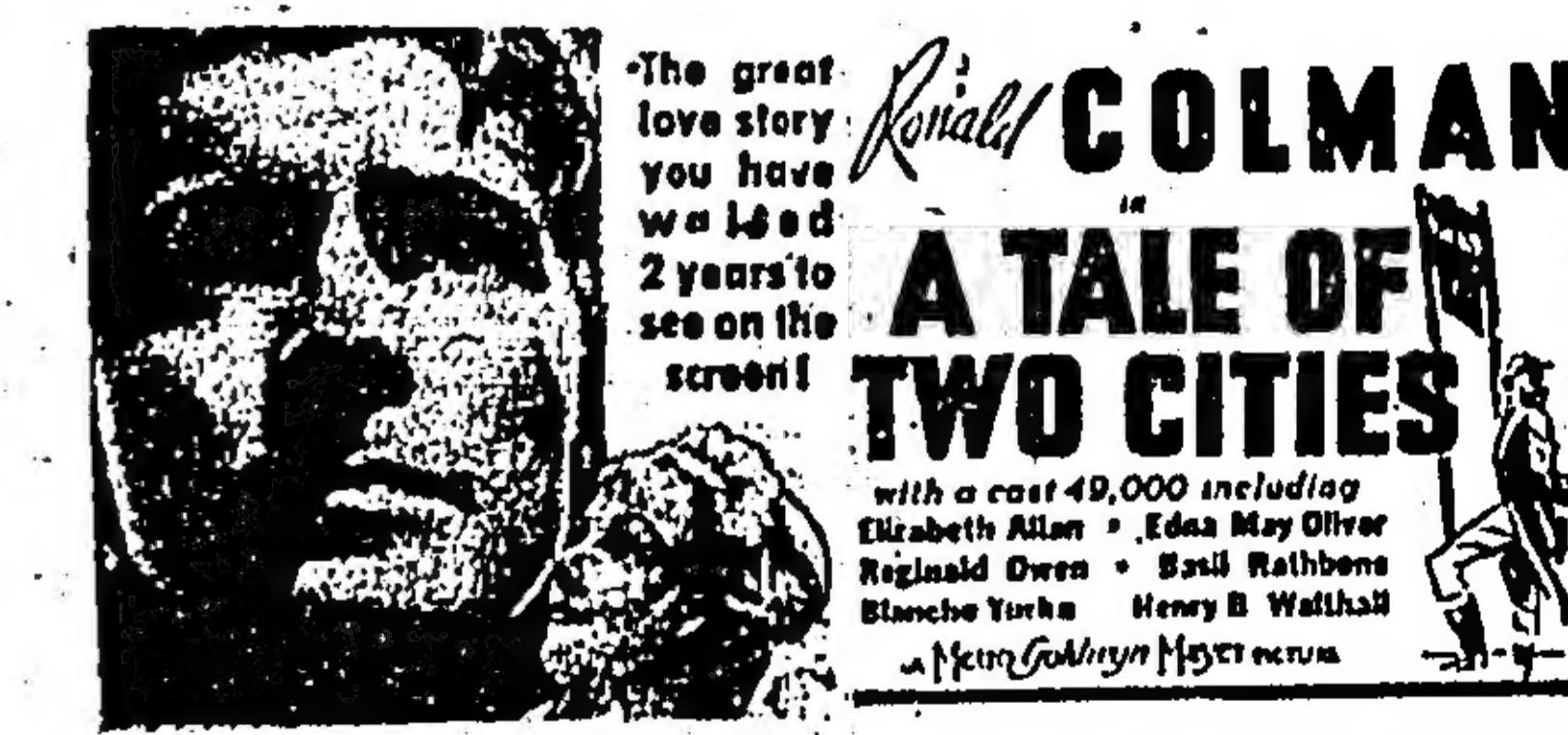
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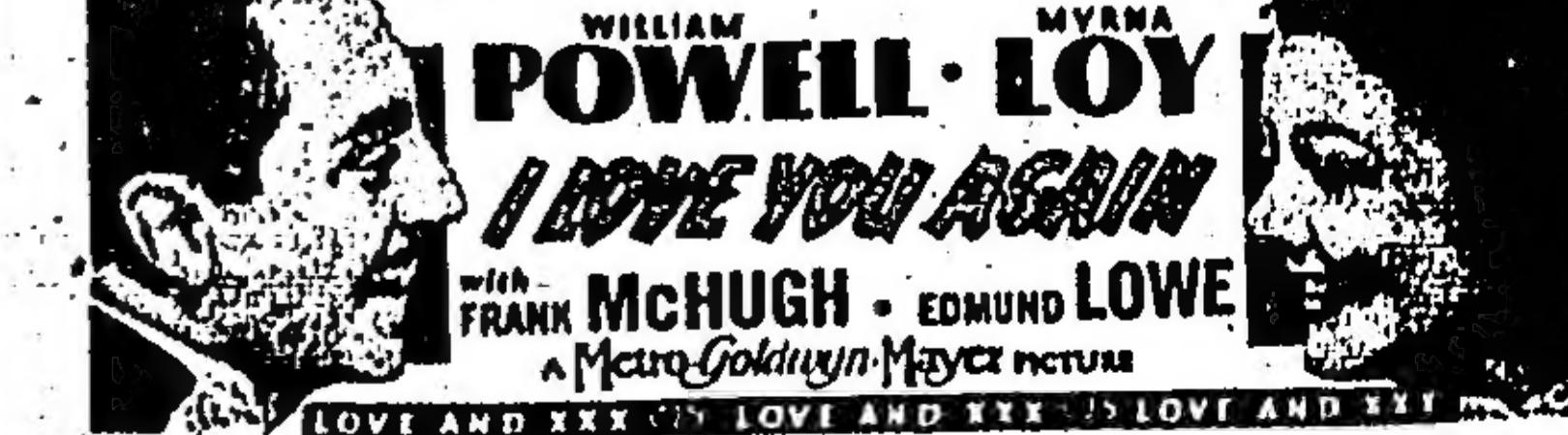
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BRITISH ARMY BRACED FOR BIG ENCOUNTER WITH GERMAN FORCES

By HARRISON SALISBURY
Special to the "Telegraph"

NEW YORK, APRIL 9 (UP).—THE ITALIAN AND GERMAN PANZER DIVISIONS HAVE KNOCKED YUGO-SLAVIA HALF WAY OUT OF THE BALKAN WAR AND HAVE CAPTURED SALONIKA, RAMMED INTO GREECE FOR A HEAD-ON CONFLICT WITH THE B.E.F., AND RACED ACROSS AFRICA TOWARDS EGYPT.

THE STARTLING THREE DAY BLITZ WON THE WHOLE OF SOUTH SERBIA FOR GERMANY, ISOLATING THE MAIN YUGO-SLAV ARMIES IN POSITIONS WHERE THEY MAY BE SUBJECT TO PIECemeal DESTRUCTION.

To the south, in Greece, the German success was equally sweeping but the main test the British and German forces have not yet developed.

The Nazis won control of Macedonia east of Salonika where they planted their war flag on the Aegean Sea. Greek troops in Macedonia have capitulated.

The Germans are striking down the Vardar Valley across northern Greece and knifing into the Greek-Albania corner, rapidly approaching the prepared positions where the B.E.F. is braced for a full scale encounter.

The gravest danger to the British was the possibility that the Germans would turn the British-Greek flank by infiltrating the Greek road system at the northwest corner of the country near Florina.

Whether the B.E.F. and the Greek forces are of sufficient number to withstand the terrific hitting power displayed by Germany in the south-east, is an unknown factor. The British continue to display confidence and it is known that the force is liberally equipped with arms and mechanized trains.

The British were prepared for the loss of Salonika and Macedonia and had disposed their forces with that prospect in view. It is doubted, however, whether the British expected the Germans to smash across southern Yugo-Slavia and effect contact with the Italians in Albania with such rapidity.

Situation in Africa

The German threat to Africa is developing with almost as great a speed as that shown in the Balkans. Italian press reports claimed that a panzer column had smashed through to Tobruk, only 80 miles from the Egyptian frontier.

The Germans claimed they met and defeated a substantial British force

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R.A.F. Blitzes The Blitz

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH".

CAIRO, Mar. 9 (UP).—Today's R.A.F. communiqué states that British bombers—today heavily raided motor transports, bridges and highways to counter the German invasion of Yugo-Slavia and Greece.

The communiqué states: "In the Balkans, bomber aircraft of the R.A.F. continued to offer vigorous resistance yesterday to the enemy troops invading Greece and Yugo-Slavia.

Heavy attacks were delivered on tanks and motor transport convoys in the Lake Doiran area and bombs were observed to burst among the tanks and vehicles on the road between Strumica and Doiran. The railway bridge over the Devdelja River was damaged by direct hits."

Heavy Raid On Midlands Town

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH".

LONDON, Apr. 9 (UP).—A West Midlands town was caught in incendiary and high explosive bombs during the early part of the night. It is believed there were some casualties when a number of houses were hit.

Incendiary bombs were also reported on another town, so far unidentified.

LATEST BALKANS WAR REPORTS

Greeks Hold Out In Eastern Macedonia

Special to the "Telegraph"

LONDON, Apr. 9 (UP).—Radio Athens announced a Greek High Command communiqué this evening stating that despite the German occupation of Salonika, Greek troops in eastern Macedonia have held the line. The text of the communiqué was as follows:

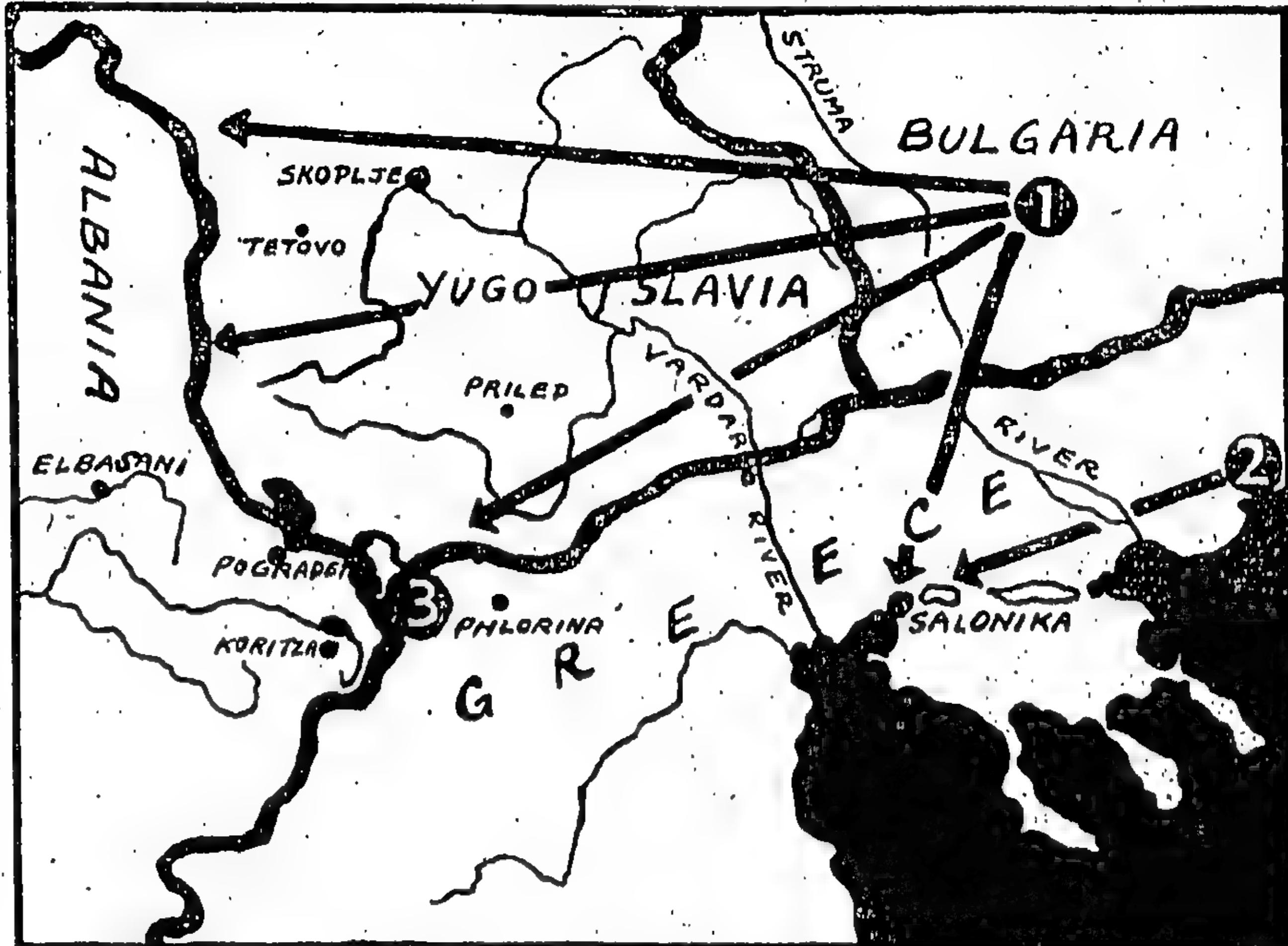
"On the Albanian front, Italian attacks which penetrated the Vardar Valley, having overcome resistance near Kilkis, continued to advance in the direction of Salonika and entered the city.

"Despite the difficult position which arose for the troops in eastern Macedonia, they held the line of attack, unswerving, according to information received this afternoon.

NEW DELHI, Apr. 9 (Reuter).—The Raj has declared Hungary to be

Balkans War Front: Latest Situation

This map gives some idea of the present situation in the Balkans war so far as it affects southern Yugo-Slavia and Greece. The key is as follows: (1) German Panzer divisions cut the Serbs in the south from contact with the Greeks, breaking through to Albania via Skopje and Prilep and also containing the Italians at the southeast corner of Yugo-Slavia and Albania, while other troops, moving south, break through Greek defences in Thrace and drive on to Salonika. (2) German troops which had cut across Thrace continue their drive on to Salonika which they captured. (3) Reported concentration of British and Greek forces which are expected to offer fullest resistance to the advanced German troops.



Churchill's Solemn Warning: Serious Nazi Menace Ahead

By WALLACE CARROLL
Special to the "Telegraph"

LONDON, Apr. 9 (UP).—In his speech before the House of Commons to-day, the Prime Minister, Mr. Winston Churchill warned that Hitler's mightiest war effort threatens to strike against Britain, and may explode at any moment with an invasion attempt on Britain, an attack against Turkey and a thrust at the Russian wheat granaries and oil fields.

Whatever the events in the Balkans, in Africa—where Mr. Churchill said that even Egypt may be threatened by the Nazi panzer divisions or elsewhere, Mr. Churchill declared that the main theatre of the war was the battle of the Atlantic.

He stated emphatically and gravely that the British war effort depends on a full-scale American effort—an effort which in the shipping field must equal "that volume of output accomplished by the Americans in 1918."

May Obtain Erie Bases

He expressed hopes also of securing the aid of Erie's bases and airfields, which might ultimately be given to Britain.

Mr. Churchill said: "Everything turns on the battle of the Atlantic which is proceeding with growing intensity on both sides."

German U-boats and surface raiders are ranging ever further westward towards American shores seeking to sink America's aid to Britain. He declared that unless this means is met and defeated, "the life

of Britain will be threatened," and, "the purposes to which the Government and the people of the United States have devoted themselves will be frustrated."

Mr. Churchill spoke in a solemn tone more grave than the Commons heard since the collapse of France.

He admitted a shortage exists in the powder industry, but said that stocks of tin and rubber were satisfactory.

Nazi Atrocity Raid: Belgrade Wiped Out

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

ATHENS, Apr. 9 (Reuter).—The Royal Palace in a suburb of Belgrade was destroyed by thirty bombs during mass German raids on the city on Sunday says a message from the Yugo-Slav Government addressed, "To all civilised peoples."

The city was left "a mass of ruins and gutted homes" says the message which reads:

"We inform all civilised peoples of the frightful crimes committed by German armed forces in the war imposed on us. The capital of our country, which in good time was proclaimed an open and undefended city, was bombed by German aircraft without a declaration of war."

"On Sunday morning while the sound of church bells was calling the faithful to church for divine service a bombardment eclipsing in horror all imagination was launched by German planes."

He said that during April the production of 18-ton tanks is averaging between five and 10

18,000 U.S. Planes This Year

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

WASHINGTON, Apr. 9 (UP).—Mr. William Knudsen, testifying before the House Military Affairs Committee to-day, announced that the United States would produce 18,000 planes in 1941 and between 27,000 and 36,000 planes in 1942.

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Ford Strike Settlement Believed Imminent

Special to the "Telegraph"

DETROIT, Apr. 9 (UP).—The spokesmen for the Ford Motor Company and the United Automobile Workers Union to-day said that they believed a settlement of the strike was imminent; however, at 4 p.m., the deadline set by the Secretary of Labour, Miss Francis Perkins, before the strike would be certified to the Defence Labour Mediation Board, passed without any announcement.

Governor Van Wagoner and Mr. James Dewey of the Conciliation Board held a conference with company and union representatives in an effort to speed up a truce.

Meanwhile, in Washington, the Defence Production chief, Mr. William Knudsen, told the House Military Affairs Committee that he favoured

legislation to permit the Government to commandeer and manage any defence plants in which strikes occur until a settlement is reached between the employers and labour officials; also that he is in favour of a "cooling off" period before strikes may be called in defence industries.

However, he said he favoured

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The Thirty-sixth Annual General Meeting of Shareholders will be held at the Offices of Messrs Dodwell & Co. Ltd., Hongkong and Shanghai Bank Building, on Tuesday, the 15th April, 1941, at 11 a.m. for the purpose of receiving the report of the General Managers together with a Statement of Accounts for the year ended 31st December, 1940.

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PEOPLE'S WAR

LONDON, Apr. 9 (Reuters).—Mr R. G. Menzies, the Australian Prime Minister, speaking in London to-day, said that if ever a war could be described as a people's war, it was this one.

He added: "If every leader the people had was struck down tomorrow, the people of this country and of the British Empire would fight on. They would raise up for themselves new leaders because they had not been led into this war. They had marched into it and had asked these leaders to take them into it."

Soviet Opinion On War

MOSCOW, Apr. 9 (Reuters).—"The centre of gravity of the war has gone from the west to the east and there is no need now to speak any further about the invasion of Britain," declares Colonel Popoff in to-day's "Red Star," organ of the Soviet Army.

Discussing the Balkans front, Colonel Popoff says that the German Command is facing a serious enemy."

Wallace Gives American View

NEW YORK, Apr. 9 (Reuters).—"Britain will win," Mr Henry Wallace, Vice-President of the United States, told the Foreign Policy Association to-day.

"Only defeatism on the psychological and economic front of the United States can prevent it. A Nazi victory and a Nazi peace are unthinkable. To avoid such a calamity, we will help ourselves through helping England with all methods short of war."

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Slander Action Judgment

Judgment was delivered by Mr Justice E. H. Williams in the Summary Court this morning in a slander action in which Chan Paul, married woman, of 430 Nathan Road, sued Chan Yee-koo, married woman, of 22 Hillwood Road, for damages arising from words alleged to have been uttered by the latter on August 8 last year.

It was alleged that the Defendant, in the presence of a number of people at 5 King's Terrace, uttered the following words, "You are a lot (swindler); the public will not stand you—you have three hands."

His Lordship found as a fact that the Defendant did use the words complained of on August 8, with the exception of the phrase "you have three hands," and said that he accepted the evidence as to the meaning of lo tsin. However, he found that there was evidence which established that the Plaintiff had been cheating at man-jong with a Mrs Hui on several different occasions, a conclusion to which he came "with great reluctance but with conviction."

Justification
He added, "I would have preferred to have been able to reach a different conclusion. For these reasons I hold the Defendant has justified the words used and I find for her with costs."

Mr Alfred Y. Hon, of P. H. Sin and Co., appeared for the Plaintiff, and Mr F. H. Loseby, of Russ and Co., for the Defendant.

Mr Hon applied for a stay of execution for one month, to which Mr Loseby objected, saying that the only reason for it was that Mr Hon might be contemplating the possibility of an appeal.

Mr Hon pointed out that he needed such a period in order to take instructions.

His Lordship granted a stay of execution for four weeks.

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even bombed isolated houses killing thus Dr Koulovitz, leader of the Slovene people and a member of the Government.

"German planes machine-gunned women and children fleeing their burning homes."

Belgrade Burning

LONDON, Apr. 9 (UP).—Radio London announced that Belgrade is still burning and that the glow can be seen from the Rumanian frontier, a distance of 37 miles.

STOCK MARKET REPORT

Hongkong Stock Exchange Official Summary, issued yesterday, says: The market is dull but there are no particular signs of weakness.

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Diplomatic Maneuvres SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

WASHINGTON, Apr. 9 (UP).—The Italian Government has agreed to the withdrawal of the Italian Naval Attaché, Admiral Luis, but has asked for the withdrawal of the Assistant Naval Attaché to the American Embassy at Rome, Captain William Bentley.



Forest Guard Assaulted

Accuses Sappers, Engineers

Three Chinese Sappers of the Royal Engineers Wong Shing-man, Fok Man and Wong Fuk, and three Chinese gunners of the Royal Artillery Lo Sham-kit, Tim Cho-yan and Kuan Ching were summoned before Mr G. T. Lowry at Central Magistracy this morning for assaulting Forest Guard No. 176, Wong Wah, at Victoria Road, Upper Levels, on February 24. They denied the charge.

Mr J. P. Murphy, Crown Solicitor, prosecuting said that Complainant had stopped some women who were carrying tree wood when second and third Defendants interfered and struck him. The women were allowed to go and the two soldiers later returned with about 20 others, including the four remaining Defendants and assaulted the Guard as a result of which he made complaint to the Police and was later treated at the Queen Mary Hospital.

One Man's Word

Mr Murphy added that the only evidence was that Complainant immediately reported the matter to another Forest Guard and to the Police and that he was taken to Hospital and treated. It was a case of one man's word against six.

Dr Lui Kwai-to, Medical Officer, Queen Mary Hospital, said that he examined Complainant about 5 p.m. that day. He had bruises on the chest and back and a small cut in the corner of the right eye. There was also a bruise over the right eye. The injuries were consistent with blows from the fist apparently received that day.

Wong Wah, Complainant, said that he was on duty at Victoria Road that day about 3.30 p.m. He questioned some women who were gathering tree wood near Mount Davis, Road and Pokfulam Road Junction when Fok and Fong, whom he identified, interfered and struck him. He did not strike them. Second Defendant Fok took his pass. He reported the matter to Forest Guard Lam Pui who took him to the No. 7 Police Station. From there he was sent to the Queen Mary Hospital.

The case is proceeding.

Eastern F.C. & Soccer Match Riot

Returned Team Tell Facts

Returning with other members of the Eastern football team from Manila this morning, Mr Sze Po-wai, Secretary of the Eastern F.C., denied the newspaper reports that the riot which ended the match between the tourists and Y.C.O. on April 1, was the result of bad feeling between the two teams.

He admitted that the Eastern players protested when Y.C.O. scored the first goal, but sold the Eastern had no part in the riot which resulted.

Compensation

As proof of this, Mr Sze stated that the Philippine Amateur Athletic Federation had agreed to compensate Eastern for the losses incurred by the cancellation of the remainder of their games in Manila. If the P.A.A.F. had not been satisfied with the conduct of the Eastern players, they would not have agreed to do this, Mr Sze contended.

Mr Sze was of the opinion that the trouble arose through lack of control over the spectators.

This match against Y.C.O. was the second match in the Eastern tour.

The score was 1-1 near half-time when the riot occurred.

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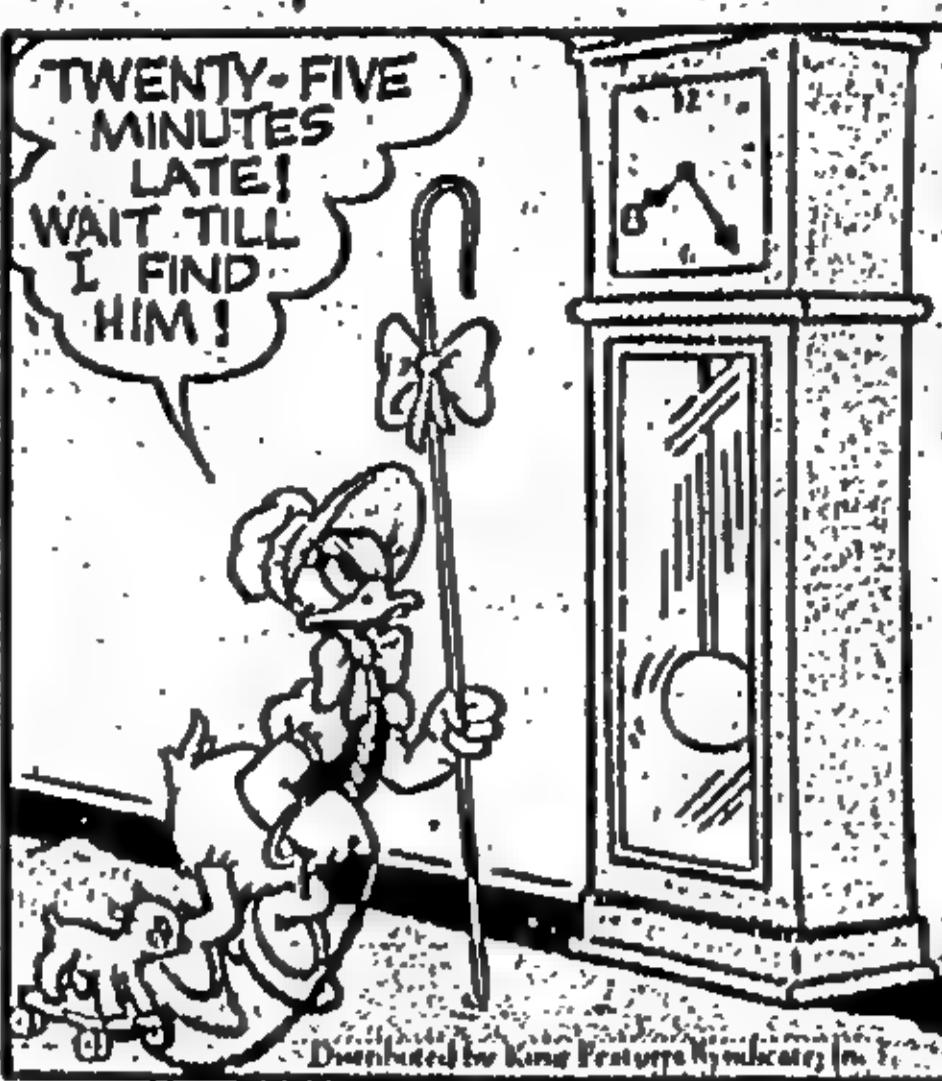
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CIRENAICA RETREAT

POPULAR reaction to the British withdrawals from Cirenaica has perforce leaned towards puzzlement mixed with some anxiety. What do they portend? has been the question generally asked. It is impossible to give an emphatic answer, but certain points can be, and should be taken into consideration.

It must be remembered that Britain, in her Mediterranean and African campaign, has been faced with three responsibilities. Firstly, the safeguarding of Egypt; secondly, the destruction of the Italian empire in East Africa; thirdly, the needs of our Balkan Allies. It has been impossible to conduct that campaign without taking cognisance of these three factors collectively. Hence, the brilliant offensive in the Western Desert in which Graziani's huge and splendidly equipped army was routed, had of necessity, to be a prelude both to the successful completion of the campaign in East Africa which has finally destroyed the Italian empire, and to the release of certain troops for the impending Balkans war.

It now seems clear that General Wavell set himself a time-table to which he and his troops have adhered with almost miraculous precision. His skilful disposition of troops and his strategy cannot be challenged, and because he has proved his worth, confidence in his judgment, remains unimpaired.

The knowledge that Nazi mechanised and infantry forces in considerable numbers have been able to land in Tripoli from Sicily is unparsable, and it would be unrealistic to ignore the potential danger of the present advance by Axis forces in Cirenaica. But this, of itself, does not necessarily change the essentials of the Mediterranean and Middle East situation. The original Wavell advance in North Africa was primarily and almost exclusively for the purpose of crushing and defeating an army; it was not designed to capture and hold comparatively unimportant desert wastes, and harbours which had been blasted beyond usefulness. The purpose was accomplished; the threat to Egypt was dissolved and the subsequent reduction of the rest of Mussolini's overseas possessions realised.

The withdrawals from Cirenaica are obviously strategical in design; they are costing us but little in men or material; meanwhile the British Command can make its plans for full resistance in its own time and choosing its own place. The successful conclusion of the East African campaign is certain to release for use elsewhere thousands of "bloodied" British soldiers, whose own equipment has been reinforced by huge quantities of captured material; and it is conceivable that these will be the men who will stop the Axis advance in North Africa when and where it is desired. It is in this perspective that the British withdrawals from Cirenaica should be viewed.



**An Easter Message By
A. J. CRONIN**

Author of "Hatter's Castle," etc.

For then, the earth is awakening. Lambs frisk in the green pastures, the trees put forth their buds. The birds sing again, spring flowers break upon the mossy freshness of the woodland banks. Sap runs anew in the willow shoots, yellow catkins nod in the breeze, the rivers fill the lush meadows with their music.

New life is everywhere, a sense of brightness and of light.

Light, indeed ... Ah! That is the key for which we blindly seek.

The very name of Easter, from the Saxon *Eostre*, emblem of light, betokens the true significance of the festival, the rebirth of hope in the souls of men.

On Good Friday, the peoples of creation touched the abyss of their dejection. All light was gone, all hope seemed lost!

Then came the cry: "Christ is risen! The days of darkness and defeat are past! Christ is risen from the dead!"

And so, this Easter, above all times, we have the invitation to open our hearts to this everlasting light, to cast out the gloomy shadows of despair. Let Christ arise, not in the stereotyped lip service of clamorous, conflicting creeds, not in platitudes invoked to suit the policies of politicians, but in sweet tranquillity, secretly, within our breasts.

Make no mistake ... this present chaos is no novelty.

MANKIND, through the ages, has known war before, and cruelty, torture, oppression, the ghastly stalemate of siege, the horrors of famine and of plague.

And mankind has survived. Mankind has endured these horrors, not of its own seeking; has struggled from the pits into which, with cheering and with drums, it has been led, has emerged, triumphant, marching onwards to a gentler era, a period of recovery and peace.

From the pulpits of Christendom we are urged to believe in God, to love our highly unlovable neighbours as ourselves.

AND through it all, through the sound and the fury of the exhortations, the world lies bathed in Stygian despair.

Down in the dark corners of many human hearts lies the morbid certainty that this barbarism, this lunatic convulsion of a power-drunk autocracy—

call it what you wish—is the final horror, the cataclysm which marks the twilight of the world, an avalanche annihilating all that is good and beautiful in life, sweeping mankind irrevocably to its doom.

Humanity, bloody beneath repeated bludgeonings of fate, bound by the chains of tyranny, standpoint of eternity.

The human soul, imbued with bennus, by the crass ineptitude, hope, is indestructible. No weapon forged by man or devil can

can see no farther than this near horizon. Humanity, in short, has lost the power to hope!

And so, to-day, it would appear as though the dictum of my old slum woman holds a message: a special, precious message, amply reinforced by this present season of the year.

"There's always to-morrow!"

THAT, indeed, is a thought appropriate to any Easter Easrtide: when Nature holds

its breath in expectation ... not darkest day of all, Christ will rise again in the hearts of men!

There is always to-morrow.

THE LIGHT OF THE WORLD

IN those days when my medical virtue so neglected, so forgotten, practice took me through the it has ceased almost to exist.

Nowadays we are gorged with grimy alleys and dingy one-roomed tenements of the slums—a diet of faith and charity—a ghastly stalemate of siege, the horrors of famine and of plague.

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which, with cheering and with drums, it has been led, has emerged, triumphant, marching onwards to a gentler era, a period of recovery and peace.

In a universe where star light takes a hundred million years to travel to this planet, time cannot be measured by the pinpricks of one man's allotted span.

HITLER—like Hannibal, Attila, Napoleon, Ghengis Khan, and all who sought to dominate the Earth, each in his petty day of pillage and destruction acclaimed as Moloch, Precursor of Millennium ... is no more than an illusion, a fleeting irritation, a gnat alighting for an instant on a glacier, when viewed from the

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Why Easter Eggs and Hot Cross Buns

To suppress an ancient custom is notoriously difficult, and this fact was

recognised by the early Christian fathers. Thus, instead of trying to abolish the heathen festival of *Eostre*, they wisely preferred to baptise the feast with a new and Christian spirit.

And so, it comes about that the tradition of Easter

reaches back to pagan times.

Further examples of this early Christian policy in connection with Easter are not wanting. Our hot cross buns at Easter are cakes which the Saxons had in honour of their goddess *Eostre*.

The Christian clergy, who were unable to prevent the people from eating meat, sought to expel the paganism by marking them with the "Cross".

Again, the Eastern egg carries on a

festive tradition which had its

counterpart in all parts of the pagan

world.

But perhaps the most curious Easter

custom was "heaving", which connected with the "Easter sun".

Soon after dawn on Easter Day, the sun could be seen dancing in the

avenue in honour of the Resurrection.

The traditions from which this belief

arose must surely have been of great

antiquity, stretching back perhaps

to the days of the Pharaohs. At any rate,

the idea of the sun rising up was widely accepted.

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THE STORY SO FAR: Mademoiselle Henriette, governess in a titled Parisian family, is tried for the murder of her employer's wife, and acquitted. Through the aid of Henry Field, a young American preacher, she gets a position in an exclusive New York girls' school. Her pupils discover her past, and taunt her. She is tempted to resign, but Field induces her to face them, and by telling them her story, to win their respect. They listen breathlessly as she tells of her trip to Paris—the meeting with young Field—and of the Duke and Duchess and their children and of the insane jealousy of the Duchess. Mlle. Henriette saves the life of the youngest, but incurs the hatred of the Duchess. While she and her children are away, the Duke takes his daughter to the theatre and the governess accompanies them. The dailies blame the story and the Duchess sees it.

CHAPTER IV

MADAME LA DUCHESSE, in a state of blind fury at reading the papers, at once left Corsica for her Paris home—and with her came her aged father, the Marechal Sebastiani—Abbe Galdard, her confessor—and her younger children, Isabelle, Berthe and Raynold. On their arrival the children rushed happily to their beloved Mlle. Henriette, who shortly after was summoned to the gloomily magnificent chamber of the Duchess, where she was sternly confronted by the lady of the house, her father, and her priest.

"Ever since you have come here," the Duchess began with baleful eyes and voice, "you have carried on a deliberate campaign to steal away from me everything I love. But, oh, that you dared plan this latest insult! That while I was away you flaunted your hold over my husband in public, for the King and all Paris to see!"

"Please let me speak for myself, Madam. I resent this slander as much or more than you do."

"Do you realise what this slander is you call it, impudent?"

"It is all too clear . . ."

"Then you admit it?"

"I admit nothing, Madame. If you don't choose to believe me, you must believe facts—in this house, which is infested by Mme. Maillard, and your other slaves, my every movement is known." Here the Duchess was pulled from the room and her ancient father insisted that should the governess go, it would only give credence to the ugly gossip. He said that from then on his daughter and son-in-law would be seen together oftener, until the rumours died away.

Mlle. Henriette agreed to stay, but as she came out she heard the frenzied voice of the Duchess. "And it is not enough that you humiliate me at home, without doing it in public? Is it not enough that she is my children's governess, without making her your companion?" As Henriette hurried past she heard the voice now shrill and pleading. "Have pity on me, Theo. If you have done this to punish me, believe me I am well corrected! Come back to me."

Mlle. Henriette was in her room in a tumult of agitation and packing to leave, when the Duke appeared, his handsome face drawn and haggard. "Mademoiselle," he said desperately, "you mustn't go!"

"You shouldn't come here now, Monsieur! There is already enough trouble."

"I beg of you to remember the children . . . Raynold who you reaches his life, Louise, Isabelle, Berthe, who have learned to trust you!"

"They are young—they will forgive," she answered in passionate defence. "There are some things that it is useless to fight against. Monsieur, and one of them is another woman's jealousy! She hates me. It will be better for all of us. She will be happier! And perhaps, in time, you and she . . ."

"Never!"

"She loves you, Monsieur."

"What kind of love that drives me to madness!"

"I shouldn't have presumed to speak of love at all, Monsieur. I have no right, and I ask you to forget it."

GREEK AND YUGO-SLAV FORCES IN JEOPARDY, BUT SITUATION FLUID

Special to the "Telegraph"

LONDON, APR. 9 (UP).—WELL INFORMED CIRCLES ESTIMATED THAT SEVERAL GREEK DIVISIONS IN THRACE AND EASTERN MACEDONIA WERE PRACTICALLY SURROUNDED BY THE GERMAN THRUST ON SALONIKA, WHILE THE MAIN SERBIAN FORCES ARE HEMMED IN IN NORTHERN YUGO-SLAVIA AND ARE ALSO THREATENED WITH ENCIRCLEMENT. THEY ADDED, "IT IS OBVIOUS THAT THE IMMEDIATE OUTLOOK IS VERY SERIOUS."

Regarding the Greek divisions in Thrace, it was said: "They will undoubtedly hold out until the bitter end, but it is impossible to expect another miracle, because, although they possess the ports, there is a lack of shipping."

The German advance was described as a "rapid, surprising success;" however, the fact that the Germans had not yet clashed with the British forces suggests that the defence of Salonika was not a part of the Allied plans.

"These are naturally secret, but one thing is certain—the B.E.F. is not negligible in quality or quantity."

British Military View
ATHENS, Apr. 9 (UP).—In the face of reports of reverses in the north, the British military spokesman to-day said, "It is natural that the Germans got off to a flying start because they have been able to choose their time. The situation is not necessarily bad and has its good sides."

He said that the British Staff is closely watching developments in Serbia where "we have good reason to believe the Serbs will attain their ends."

It was at one time indicated that the large-scale preparations made by the British could cope with any eventuality. One source said: "It may be assumed that the British forces have not yet contacted the Germans, and it is impossible at the present to say when such contact will occur."

Rome Appraisal

ROME, Apr. 9 (UP).—At 10 a.m. Italian and German forces are reported to have met and joined forces in south Yugoslavia. Dispatches from Fiume and Trieste announced that the Greek army in Albania has started withdrawing into Greece in an effort to prevent being cut off by the Germans who are smashing from Macedonia to the Albanian border from Salonika.

Majority of Axis quarters believe that the Greeks' main stand will be made north of Athens, following the reported cracking of the Metaxas Line, alongside the British forces which include Australians and New Zealanders who were brought from both Africa and Palestine.

It is stated that the junction of the Italians and Germans occurred near Telovo, situated between Skopje and the Yugo-Slavian border. Both the German and Italian units are mechanized. Italian forces of at least two divisions started forward at dawn to-day and effected the meet-

"Boy Meets Girl"

Dress Rehearsal

A successful dress rehearsal of the three-act comedy "Boy Meets Girl" was staged at the K.C.C. last night. The play has its first showing at the K.C.C. on Saturday.

Judged from last night's performance "Boy Meets Girl" will rank as one of the best amateur productions Hongkong has enjoyed for some time.

The players are skilfully cast and include many well known amateur stage personalities, such as Willie Robertson, Harry Cockle, David Kosiek, Jerry Davies, Fred Perry and Bob Leigh, while newcomers who promise outstanding performances are Nan Moodie, Gertrude Goddard, John Gilchrist, Jim Moodie and Bessie Hirst.

Cecil Houghton has done an excellent job in producing this play, the film version of which was recently shown in Hongkong.

The proceeds are for the Bomber Fund and the B.W.O.F., and everybody who wants a light-hearted and enjoyable evening should make a point of visiting the K.C.C. either on Saturday night, Monday next and Saturday week. Booking is now open.

Battle of Balkans Not Won Despite Nazi Gains

(By "Reuter's" Diplomatic Correspondent)

LONDON, Apr. 9.—The entry of German advance detachments into Salonika not only means the loss of the capital of Macedonia but cuts the Greek armies in the field in two.

There may be several Greek divisions in Thrace and eastern Macedonia, and they are practically surrounded.

While the German armies are thus engaged in the south, other forces have practically cut through Yugoslavia's waist-line and are now advancing northwards and westwards so as to threaten with encirclement the main forces which are being hemmed in Old Serbia.

At the same time, while the Yugo-Slavs are still opposing the German forces from Rumania, Hungary and Austria, some of their forces have penetrated into Albania and should create a diversion in the Italian rear.

It is obvious from this exposition of the military position that the immediate outlook in the Balkans must be regarded as serious; but it is significant that the Germans have not yet come up against the British forces and this would suggest that the defence of Salonika was not a part of Britain's plan.

Britain's force is one not lightly to be disregarded.

The Battle of the Balkans has not yet been won or lost.

It is learned in authoritative circles in London that no British or Imperial troops were in the sector of the Vardar.

QUO TAI-CHI

LONDON, Apr. 9 (Central News).—Dr Quo Tai-chi, the returning Chinese Ambassador, to-day took leave of the King and Queen at Buckingham Palace. Their Majesties gave him a very cordial reception and wished him Godspeed.

Alleged Murder: Youth Detained

A 19-year-old youth has been detained by the police for inquiries concerning the alleged murder of two girls in a Kowloon house yesterday.

The girls, Chiu Mo-tsun, aged 8, and Chiu Mo-ye, aged 6, were found dead at 171, Tung Choi Street, gagged and with their hands and feet bound. The elder girl had a severe cut to her throat.

Blockade Hurts Germany

Traffic And Labour

LONDON, Apr. 9 (Reuter).—The blockade is like a chronic disease and is indubitably a vital factor in Germany's war situation, declared a British Economic Warfare official to "Reuter."

Transport congestion and labour shortage already are serious problems. Transport delays have been aggravated by air raids and a labour shortage persists despite imports of forced labourers from Poland, Norway and other occupied countries.

Many instances are known of German merchants cancelling orders because the railways are unable to deliver the goods.

Despite the official censorship there is increasing evidence in German newspapers that shortages are now much more severe and that the blockade is taking effect.

The oil supply position is obviously difficult as Germany herself does not expect to receive more than three million tons from Rumania, even with favourable conditions the Reich is unlikely to get over two and half million tons from Rumania and perhaps one million from Russia. This might keep Germany going if the occupied countries could continue on their present starvation rations and

Germany's synthetic production is unimpaired. Rubber production is only one third of probable wartime minimum needs and the severest restrictions have been imposed in Germany.

Textiles Shortage

The shortage in textiles is severely felt by German civilians. General difficulties are best illustrated by the prevalence of black markets throughout Germany and Europe and the severe sentences inflicted on hoarders and traffickers in food.

A dangerous scarcity is sure to arise more through distribution difficulties than from a complete absence of supplies apart from increased war traffic, the blockade by closing the ports of Hamburg, Bremen and the Eastern Mediterranean has caused an immense strain on internal transport.

The congestion in Marsselles is such that even greatly needed supplies cannot be quickly moved. The recent enrolment of recruits for the army in many cases removed the last youthful labour which is irreplaceable by war prisoners owing to lack of administrative staff.

The general picture is therefore, of highly-organized economy strained at very many points by the blockade. The maintenance of industries, the necessity to grow food instead of importing it, the need to supply the German armies in occupied countries, the organisation of supplies from Russia, all mean that Germany's economic resources are exerted to a painful effort. Germany's propaganda for the relaxation of the blockade shows how Germans feel it.

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7. London Relay—The News.

7.15 London Relay—Talk: "Meet Uncle Sam".

7.30 Concert Waltzes with Ima Sozer (Soprano).

8 Local Time Signal and Announcements.

8.02 Albert Sandler and His Orchestra.

Live, Laugh and Love (from "Congress Dances"—Heymann); Jealousy (Gade); Tell Me To-night (from the film); Where the Woods are Green (Brodsky).

8.15 Studio—Local News.

8.23 Compositions of Liszt.

Spanish Rhapsody; Introduction—Folies d'Espagne—Jota Aragonesa—Finale...Eugen Petri (Piano) and The Minneapolis Symphony Orchestra cond. by Dimitri Mitropoulos; Hungarian Rhapsody No. 1 in F...London Symphony Orchestra cond. by Albert Coates; Sonetto Del Petrarcha No. 123; Feux Follets...Anatole Kitain (Piano).

9 London Relay—The News.

9.15 London Relay—Questions of the Hour.

9.30 Studio—Recital by Captain Thomson (Oboe) with E. O'Neill Shaw at the Piano.

1. Prolouge from "Pagliacci" (Leoncavallo); 2. Toreador's Song from "Carmen" (Bizet); 3. (a) The Windmill (Nelson); (b) Bless this House (Mary Braine); (c) The Revel (Walace); (d) Trotton to the Fair (arr. Stanford).

9.45 News in French (on Short Wave only).

10.15 Orchestral Interlude—Impression D'Oriente—Descriptive (Amadel); Souvenir D'Ukraine—Descriptive (Ferraris)...Armando Di Prima and His Orchestra.

10 London Relay—To Talk of Many Things.

10.15 Dance Music with Variety.

11 Close down.

TURKEY WATCHES

LONDON, Apr. 9 (Reuter).—It is understood that the Turkish Foreign Minister (M. Saragoglu) told the Peoples' Party on Tuesday that the Government would meanwhile maintain a policy of non-belligerency.

The Government, he said, is continuing to watch closely the developments affecting Turkish interests.

Losses and Thefts

Mrs L. A. Lewis of No. 517 The Peal has reported the loss of a portion of a clip brooch, valued at \$1,500 between her address and the Repulse Bay Hotel between 7 p.m. and midnight on Tuesday.

Mr Corre of the French Bank Building, second floor, has reported the loss of various articles valued at \$111 from his office.

POPE AND PEACE

BERNE, Apr. 9 (Reuter).—The Pope's plan to make a peace appeal in his Easter address is believed to have been changed. The address precedes the blessing of "Urbi et Orbi" on Sunday.

A message from Rome states that following the extension of the war to the Balkans, the Pope feels that it is impossible to make a peace move at the present time.

We Hit Convoy

LONDON, Apr. 9 (British Wireless).—The Admiralty announced to-night that one of our submarines in the Central Mediterranean has carried out a successful attack on a south-bound convoy of heavily-laden transports and supply ships.

One British fighter is missing. There was no enemy air activity over Britain to-day, states an Air Ministry communiqué.

A ship of about 12,000 tons was hit by two torpedoes. A ship of about 6,000 tons was also hit by a torpedo.

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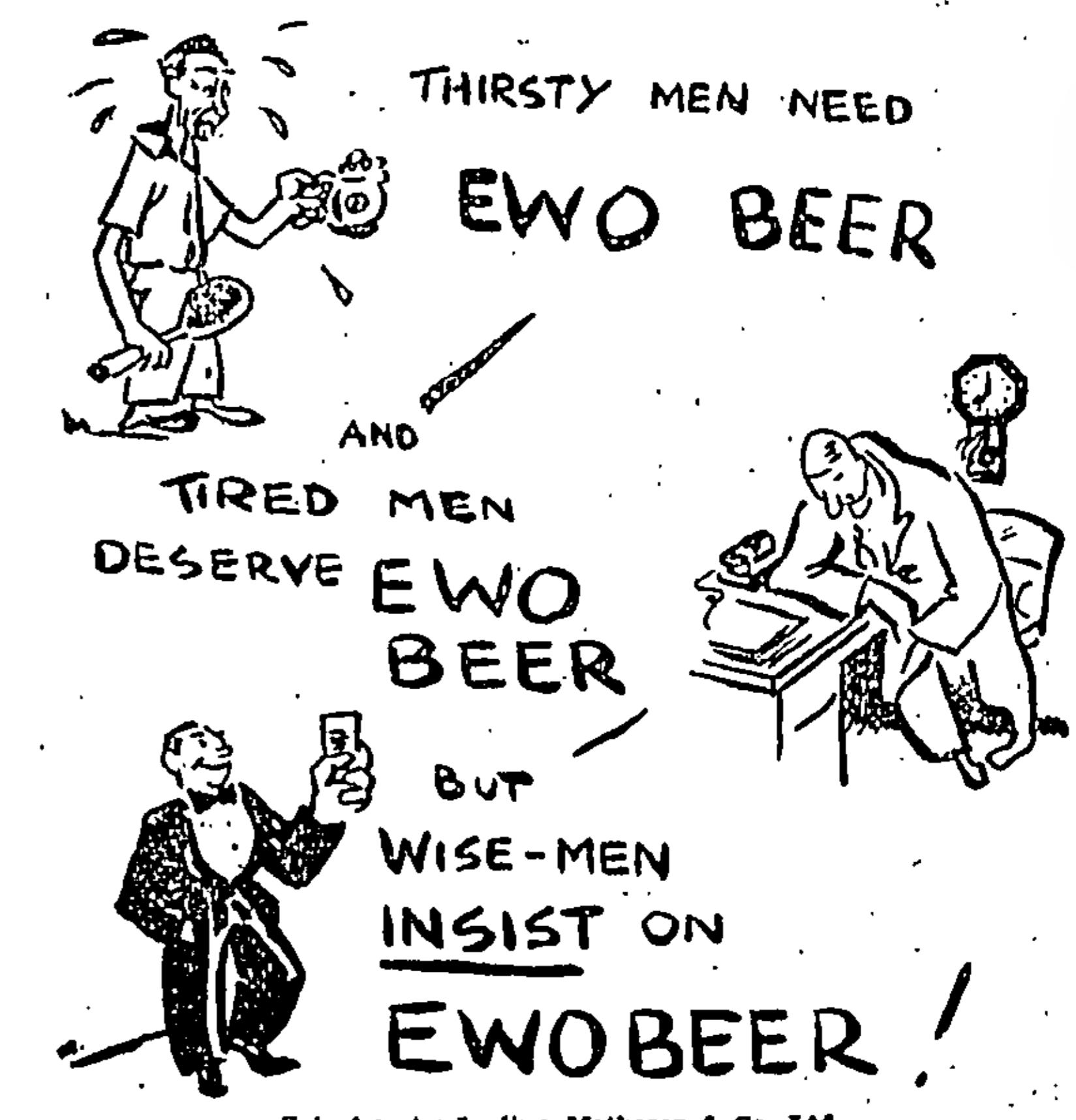
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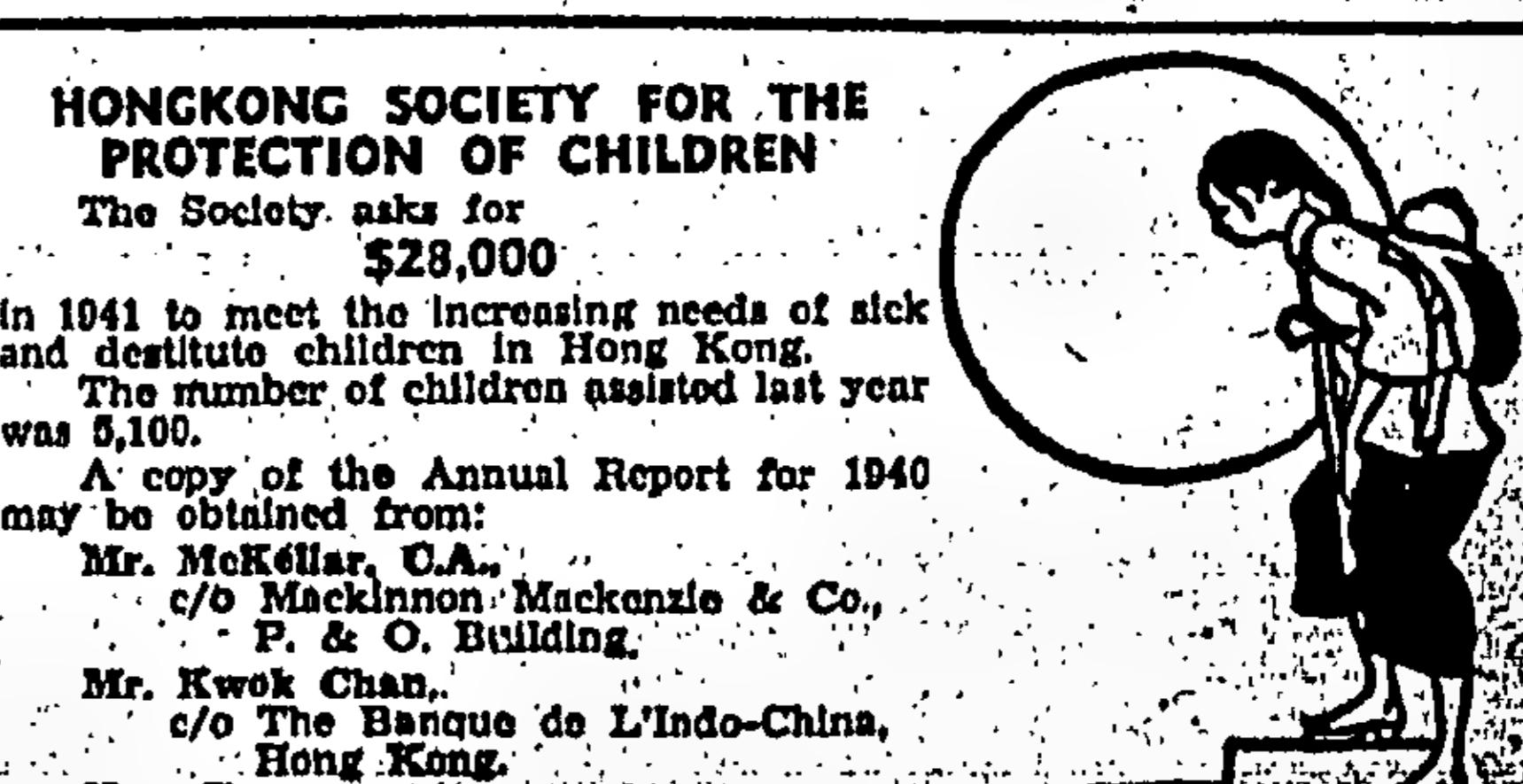
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Australian Diamond And Peter Wei Hard To Beat

THE BRISBANE SPRING HANDICAP for Australian subscription ponies of any season over two miles has been slightly modified with a clause prohibiting "A" class ponies that have won \$2,000 or more in stakes since January 1, 1941. This, of course, has precluded the entry of Endeavour, Sapper, United Express and Viceroy, but even at that we have still left a nice bunch of stayers.

The top weight is jointly shared by Australian Diamond and Baffin Bay. By the way, Mr T. K. Li has sold Baffin Bay to Mr S. W. Lee, and I wonder whether the new acquisition with Mr Chao in the saddle will bring luck to the stable, which won the first long distance outing of last year with Amicus Curiae?

Dangerous Pony

ON the strength of her running second in the Melbourne Cup over the same course, I am of the opinion that Australian Diamond with Mr Peter Wei up will take a lot of beating, and the most dangerous is Brutus, the winner of Ladies' Purse. Mr Trevorton's candidate has a pull of a stone, and the boy is looking none the worse after his smart win in the Australian Grand National with a burden of 108 lb. over two miles.

Centre Court, who annexed the Benarbo Handicap over two miles, is nicely weighted with only 140 lb. to shoulder. But I am afraid that the old maid of 1936 class may find the pace too hot for her liking.

Brown Derby (D. Black), Rowan (H. Hearne) and Vanity Fair (P. Botelho) have never been over this course before, but I do not expect them to upset calculations.

Roskill Stakes
(Second Section)

Fresh Air Becomes A Problem Again

WE SHOULD SEE an interesting scurry in the second section of the Roskill Stakes for Australian subscription ponies of 1941 from the 1½ mile post (about half mile 170 yards).

The issue should be between Fresh Air, Gold Rod and Newborn Star, preference being given to the first named gee-gee, with a proviso that the boy will keep to the coast at the entrance of the home-stretch. There is no question about her speed, and Fresh Air has cost the public a huge sum of money. She was heavily staked to win the Sandringham Plate (six furlongs) in field of 24 runners, but the mare finished third behind Maple Leaf and Optima Fide, to the disgust of 4,119 backers.

However, with a bit of luck Fresh Air should run away with the race because the opposition in my mind is not too strong.

A Fine Time, Castle Hill, Double Dutch and Flying Fortress have never appeared before Mr Potts and there is reason to believe that they are not yet trimmed for the fight.

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Distant View, Sapper And United Express Together Again

THE ADDITIONAL two events in each day of the Easter Meeting of the Hongkong Jockey Club give us whole-day racing, and punters are reminded that the first saddling bell on Saturday and Easter Monday will be rung at 11 a.m. sharp.

Those who are unable to attend the meet before lunch are informed that the fifth event on both days is timed to run off at 2.30 p.m. after the tiffin interval.

MIDDLESEX WIN ARMY BOXING

Title Decided On Last Fight

The last fight of the evening, the first string welterweights between L/Cpl McGreedy (Royal Scots) and Drum Major Holdford (Middlesex) decided the Army Inter-Unit team boxing championship last night when Royal Scots beat Middlesex 23-22 to retain the Championship Shield and Governor's Trophy for the second year in succession.

Some of the finest sport in many years was witnessed and two bouts in particular produced an excellent standard.

His Excellency the Governor, Sir Geoffrey Northcote, the General Officer Commanding, Major-General A. E. Grasen, Mr J. P. Pennington-Evans, new Commissioner of Police, were present.

Major Curran, R.A.M.C., was referee during the first half and the judges were Capt. T. W. Chatley and Brigade Major Brown. Major Holdford was referee for the second half and judges were Lieut.-Col. McPherson R.A.O.C. and Capt. Hewitt, Lieut. Willoughby who was timekeeper.

We can look forward to a grand meeting, but it is earnestly hoped that the Clerk of the Weather will generously provide a glorious day to the Easter holiday makers.

A fine Easter programme for all classes of Australian and China ponies will be presented to the racing public, and there are 12 events on the card each day at Happy Valley.

The two most valuable races are the Brisbane Spring Handicap for Australian ponies over two miles on the first day, and the Easter Stakes, a handicap for China ponies over a mile, on the second day. The first prize for both is worth \$1,000 to the winner, and it is almost positive that we shall see a nice field of class ponies.

Another important handicap event is the Albury Handicap for "C" class Australian ponies to be run on Easter Monday, from the 1½ mile post, and the sprint is about half mile 170 yards. In the list of entries there are Distant View, Sapper and United Express, and it is learned that they are going to accept.

Two Sections

In addition to the above, entries for the two handicapping events confined to "C" and "D" classes of Australian ponies have been divided into two sections at the discretion of the handicapper, and this is, of course, a new stunt.

The provision of barring owners from entering their ponies for both sprint and middle distance runs has undoubtedly shortened the list of nominations, but the field will not be cramped for room and punters will get a better run for their money.

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Caufield H'cap

1941 Winners Should Provide A Tight Finish

THE CAUFIELD Handicap reserved for 1941 winning Australian subscription ponies should provide a tight finish, and there does not seem to be any loophole in the allotment of weights.

Moonlight has been well looked after with a penalty of 10 lb. for his success in the Hobart Handicap, and the chestnut is now on the same level with Black Seal (Plt), Jus Gentium (Lec), Mainsail (Black) and Optimist (Lightweight).

Pte Urquhart (Royal Scots) beat Pte Pearson (Middlesex) technical knockout, second round.

Pte Cooper (Middlesex) beat L/Cpl Eaton (Middlesex) on points.

Pte Cavanagh (Royal Scots) beat L/Cpl Milroy (Middlesex) on points.

Pte Checkfield (Middlesex) beat Pte McBain (Royal Scots) technical knockout, second round.

Pte Gibb (Royal Scots) beat Pte Gilligan (Middlesex) on points.

L/Cpl McGreedy (Royal Scots) beat Drum Major Holdford (Middlesex) on points.

Pte Ritchie (Royal Scots) beat L/Cpl Eaton (Middlesex) on points.

Pte Cavanagh (Royal Scots) beat Pte Cooper (Middlesex) technical knockout, third round.

Pte Urquhart (Royal Scots) beat Pte Pearson (Middlesex) technical knockout, second round.

Pte Cooper (Middlesex) beat L/Cpl More (Royal Scots) on points.

Pte Cooper (Royal Scots) beat L/Cpl McGreedy (Middlesex) on points.

L/Cpl Foakes (Middlesex) beat Pte McNally (Royal Scots) on points.

Light-Heavyweight

Pte Emmerson (Royal Scots) beat Cpl Fox (Middlesex) on points.

Heavyweight

Pte Moran (Middlesex) beat Lieut. Miller (Royal Scots) on points.

Tournament Tennis.

Tsui Wai-pui Defeats G. Choa In Open Singles

(By "Tinker")

THOUGH Tsui Wai-pui, former Colony Champion, defeated George Choa, one of the Colony's most promising young players, in the quarter-final match of the Colony Open Singles Championship at the Hongkong C.C. yesterday, there was nothing in his showing to lend support to the opinion that he will regain his crown this year.

The scores were 4-6, 6-4, 6-3, and throughout the three sets, the play generally was lackadaisical. Flashes of his old form shone through in Tsui's excellent short drop shots, but this seemed about the only department in which he had any confidence.

It served its purpose, however, for in retrieving in the first and second sets, Choa played himself to almost a standstill, and the final set found him most exhausted.

Occasional forehand shots found the sidelines, but they were too infrequent—so much so that one tends to the opinion that Tsui has lost control of that stroke. For it was very noticeable yesterday that he frequently resorted to the use of the forehand chop!

Choa, too, was guilty of many feeble shots that ended in the net, though on occasions in the forecourt he brought out a sharp-angled backhand volley that invariably gained him the point.

Tsui took his lead in the first set, and held it to 4-3. Choa drew level at 4-all and won the next two games for set.

In the second, Tsui went off with a rush and in little time was leading 4-1. There he stayed, however, while Choa climbed laboriously 2-4, 3-4 and finally 4-all. It was on the cards that he would take the set, but then began a series of errors that cost him the set; and by this time he was tired.

There was little in the final set. Tsui took many points with his short drop shots that Choa never attempted to retrieve.

April 10, 1941.

The Daily Double

Roskill Stakes

(First Section)

Several Fast Ponies With Equal Chances

THE FIRST LEG of the daily double event is on the Roskill Stakes (first section) for Australian subscription ponies of the current season and it is a short run from the 1½ mile post (about half mile 170 yards).

The weight is assessed on the amount of stakes won, commencing at 142 lb. with 1 lb. penalty for every \$200 or part thereof, with a ban on winners, and in the circumstances the question of weights does not really count in this event.

There are, however, a few speedy merchants such as A Rosy Time, Battle, Daylight, Lodestar, Royal Sovereign and Snow White, and all of them have equal chances.

Sprinting and Sunspot are good for big Easter money.

Googly may or may not accept, but it should be remembered that the bay is by Double Court and that alone is to be considered. In course of preparation for the big meeting the bay belonging to a few members of the K.C.C. tried to break the clock, but unfortunately Googly strained a tendon with the result that he was not even entered.

It appears to me that the pony is short of a gallop, but for a long shot he may return 100 to 1.

Hongkong Bay H'cap

(Second Section)

Hongkong Bay H'cap

(First Section)

Chance For Johnber To Make Amends

THE HANDICAPPER has assigned three China pony griffins of this year to meet a few "B" class raters in the first section of Hongkong Bay Handicaps, and the trip is from the two mile post, once round and in.

Johnber was unlucky to be nosed out by stable-mate Charlesber in the Canton Handicap for the lowest position in the frame, but the first named will, in my opinion, make amends to-morrow.

The provision of barring owners

from entering their ponies for both

sprint and middle distance runs

has undoubtedly shortened the list

of nominations, but the field will

not be cramped for room and pun-

ters will get a better run for their

money.

I think Eve of Grandeur has been

over-rated by the weight adjuster,

and Eve of Heaven is trying out of

her depth.

Gay Star is nicely weighted and

the bay may spring a surprise.

Hillsboro Bay has been allotted 142

lb. only, and should the jockey be

able to tip the scale, the combina-

tion is worth following.

I DOUBT if Mr Needa can get down to 143 lb. on Oonagh in the second section of Hongkong Bay Handicap for "B" class China ponies and the jaunty is from the two mile post, once round and in.

At any rate, the mare has improved

considerably, and Oonagh should give a good account of herself.

With her coat shining like an apple,

Rose Emily should present her card

to claim the first prize and it is

learned that Mr Poy will be the

jockey.

Eve of Dancing and Galaxy have

no cause to complain about the load,

and the former should be well up at

the finish.

SPORTS ADVT.

THE HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB

THE THIRD EXTRA RACE MEETING will be held, weather permitting, on SATURDAY, 12th and MONDAY, 14th April, 1941, commencing at 11.30 a.m. on both days.

The First Bell will be rung at 11.00 a.m.

The tiffin interval will be after the fourth race on both days.

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The Secretary's Office, 1st Floor, Exchange Building, (Tel. 27794) will close at 9.45 a.m. on both days.

Tickets are obtainable at the Club House provided they are ordered in advance from the No. 1 Boy (Tel. 21220).

No children or animals will be admitted to either Enclosure.

American Views On British Censorship

There is apparent in what are generally called official circles in London some slight irritation with America's "censorship complex." It arises, perhaps, from the conviction that there are more important issues, plus the belief that Americans are not entitled to substantially greater or more sensational news than the British public, states "PM's" London correspondent.

London censorship is often slow and inefficient; sometimes downright stupid. But, on the basis of a fair amount of experience with totalitarian censorship, I am convinced that London's policy is the most liberal anywhere, continues the correspondent.

It is obviously true that information designed to aid or assist Britain's enemies is suppressed, but no hard working reporter in Britain is dependent entirely upon "official spokesmen" for his information.

For example, last July I saw in detail defences of the most vulnerable English coastline, was permitted to talk with the captains of the gun crews and was told how much ammunition they had—or rather didn't have.

Inspects Defences

I saw seven miles of open beach covered by one antiquated naval gun, pillboxes without Bren guns and all the other improvised and inadequate defences of this island. At the time it was forbidden to reveal this information and, indeed, I made no attempt to do so.

But, on the basis of those observations and with the knowledge of what has been done since then, it is certainly safe to say—without the assistance of this mysterious "military spokesman"—that, if the Germans attempt invasion now, it will cost them 100 men for every one they would have lost in June or July.

Alfred Duff Cooper, Minister of Information, summed up the position of British censorship while talking with American correspondents the other day. He said:

"If it's a question of providing Americans with a big headline or of providing the Germans with useful information, you won't get your headline."

Tradition Of Tolerance

Censorship in wartime is inevitable. It is irritating and unpleasant, but it may be useful to remember that, while British censors occasionally tell us what we can't say, they never try to tell us what we must say or write, says the "PM" representative.

In Britain the tradition of tolerance is strong. So far as censorship is concerned military secrets are sacred. But comment is free. For how much of the rest of Europe can the same be said?

In a large measure, of course, one must rely on official communiques for military, air and naval news. No impartial neutral observers were there when the incident occurred.

The German communiques are still printed in Britain and no one has been belittled or thrown into disrepute for listening to a German broadcast.

No responsible reporter would be wise to place in the position of defending any censorship. It is our job to fight it. But it is to be remembered that the British censors are inexperienced—censorship is not exactly in the British tradition, concludes the message.

War Without Cheers For Nazi Germany

In the first of a series of articles on conditions inside Germany Wallace Deuel, who has just returned to the United States after six years in Berlin as correspondent of the "Chicago Daily News," describes the feeling of hopelessness which he found in Hitler's Reich.

"It is true," he writes, "that Germany has risen again, but the price in wear and tear of the people's nerves has been appalling, and millions of Germans have ceased to believe, if they ever did, that it is possible to hope for rewards which would be worth the price."

"The German people are tired as few people in the world have ever been tired without breaking down. In a single generation they have gone through a major war, a starvation blockade and a catastrophic defeat. They have had two revolutions.

"They have had their currency wiped out altogether once and have been seriously threatened with the same fate again.

"They've had the same exhausting and disillusioning experiences of depression as the rest of the world has had, and now they have entered on a new war."

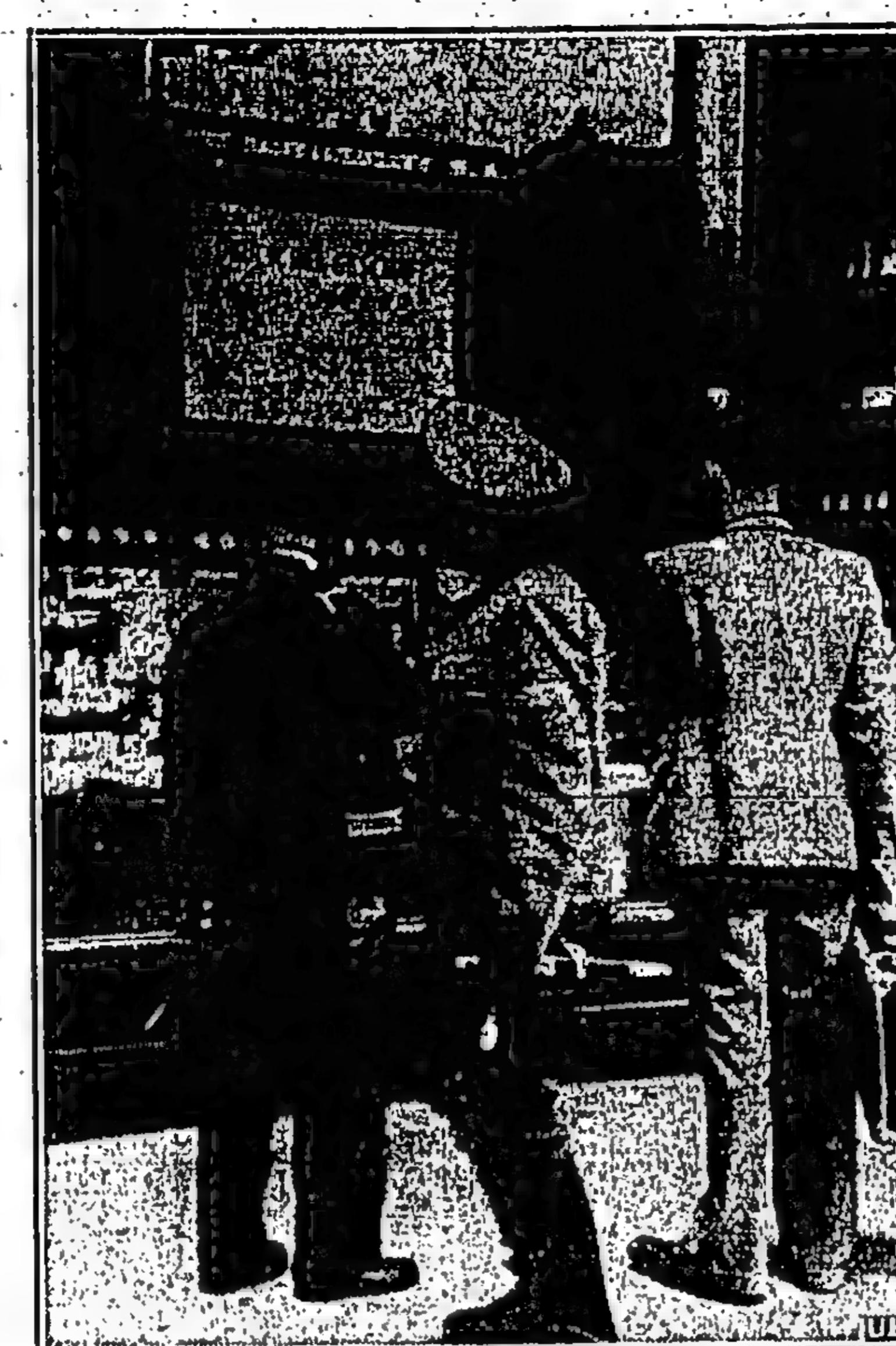
All Except The Last

"They are winning all the battles in the new war. It is true. But they won all the battles in the last war, too—all except the last—and they have never forgotten it."

"Until the last battle in this war has been fought and won it will be hard for millions of Germans to believe it will be won at all. And, besides, unless that last battle is fought and won soon enough what good will victory be to the Germans? The longer the war lasts the more the Germans will wonder if it is worth fighting."

Silent Men

"Scores of times I have seen columns of motorised troops pouring through Berlin and half a dozen other cities on their way to the front, first towards Poland and later towards the West. But among all these columns I have only seen and



U.S. To Have 300,000 Men In Navy

By the addition of 42,000 to its existing strength the personnel of the United States Navy will be raised to close on 300,000 officers and men. Including reserves, the authorised total was hitherto 251,448, out of which 239,281 were on duty by the end of September last.

Until this year American warships have been organised in two main divisions—the United States Fleet, with its main bases in California and Hawaii, and the Asiatic Fleet. A section of the former, based on the east coast, was known as the Atlantic Squad of the United States Fleet. It comprised a training unit formed by the four oldest battleships, one of which was demilitarised some years ago, a division of cruisers of the latest type, and a considerable number of destroyers and submarines.

This force is now to become a separate fleet. Presumably for some time to come the majority of new units will join it as they are commissioned.

Asiatic Fleet

The strength of the Asiatic Fleet has hitherto been comparatively modest, amounting only two or three cruisers, about a dozen destroyers, and a similar number of submarines, with some depot ships, minesweepers, gunboat and patrol vessels.

It is based on the Philippines, but in the event of war its strategic value would be greatly enhanced, as the British naval base at Singapore would be at its disposal.

A very large number of new warships are under construction or on order for the United States Navy, including 17 battleships, 12 aircraft-carriers, 40 cruisers, 160 destroyers and 80 submarines.

After the transfer to Britain of 50 destroyers designed during the last war, the United States Navy retains in all about 100 destroyers, half of which are modern. Nearly all are in full commission.

Duke's Orchids Lead To Action For Libel

The Duke of Westminster's orchids were mentioned in the King's Bench Division, London, recently, when the settlement was announced of libel action in which the Duke was the plaintiff and the defendants were Daily Mirror Newspapers, Ltd.

Mr Valentine Holmes, for the Duke, said that the *Daily Mirror*, under the heading "Cassandra," and entitled "Fragrant Fragments," published this:

"Just a couple of paragraphs leisurely snipped from the news—

"Six hundred and forty-three children under 16 were killed in air raids during the month of October.

"The Duke of Westminster's famous collection of orchids has arrived in Florida in 15 packing cases, and will be cared for until the end of the war by an expert florist."

Lord Haw-Haw Cited

"The obvious suggestion, that the Duke is spending money in sending orchids to America and having them cared for there while poor children, whose parents cannot afford to send them across the water, are being killed, is no offensive and damaging as it is untrue," said Mr. Holmes.

"How widely such unfounded statements can be spread, and how damaging they can be, is perhaps best shown by the fact that the announcer on the Bremen radio, who is usually known as Lord Haw-Haw, repeated them for German propaganda purposes."

The statement was reverse of the truth, he went on. Since the outbreak of war the Duke had been at very great pains to cut down his expenditure on his hothouse and flower gardens to an absolute minimum, and to use them only in a way which would assist the national effort to produce food. He had sold orchid plants of great value, and a number had been resold to America, which produced American currency for this country.

Agreed To Settlement

As soon as the true facts were brought to their notice, defendants indicated their willingness to do everything in their power to avert the consequences of the mistake into which they had unwittingly fallen.

The Duke had therefore agreed to settle on terms which involved the payment of a sum of money which he would hand over to a charity concerned with the interests of children who suffered in air raids.

Mr G. O. Slade, for the defendants, said they desired to express their sincere regret to the Duke.

Mr Justice Wrottesley allowed the record in the case to be withdrawn.

THEY MEASURE MINDS

(Continued from Page 3.)

Show no nervousness in the face of an enemy, become nervous in an examination room.

Leadership?

We make allowances for that. But one thing the professors of Cambridge have not yet been able to discover is a test of leadership.

"We can tell, within a small margin of error, whether a man is practical, slow, quick, reliable, sharp-dish, nervous, steady or mathematical, but nothing yet known to the psychologists can tell us whether he possesses the ability to lead other men and to gain their respect and confidence."

The tests I have described are a kindergarten compared with some I have seen which are not to members of the Royal Armoured Corps.

SATURDAY:
The New Infantry



NOT FOR POLES—Fine delicatessen store in Warsaw, Poland, is permitted to sell its wines and caviar only to Germans, not Poles. Germans must identify themselves. Picture smuggled from Poland by Swiss journalist.

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TWO-DAY EASTER MEET

Calliope H'cap
(Second Section)

Several Good Ponies With Small Burdens

LOOKING over the weights for the last event, Calliope Handicap (second section) for "B" class Australian ponies, one cannot fail to see the inclusion of a few good "uns with low imposts.

Rowan heads the list with only 152 lb, while Happy Landings has to carry 153 lb. Second from the bottom is Lady Northcote's Devonian. As a matter of fact, all the racers are very low.

On past performances Rowan should win, but it looks that Devonian will be a menace to his success.

Pumpernickel will again have Mr Pih in the saddle, and the combination is sure to be one of the favourites.

Wyalong Stakes

Scramble For Non-Winning Australians

WE ARE BOUND to have a big field for the Wyalong Stakes, confined to non-winning Australian griffins of this season, and anything may happen because it is a scramble from the 1½ miles post (about half mile 170 yards).

On the book I like Hinscoosy, with Lucas Standi and Misty View to fill the lower positions.

The Nineteenth Hole has had only two public outings with no stake money in the "cup", but the mare is a good animal and she is worth an investment of \$5 each way.

Hornpipe and Pigtail, both from the Quartermaster's stable, could not start at the annual meeting on account of lameness, and I have reason to believe that neither will upset the applecart.

Taiwan Bay H'cap
(First Section)

AN INTERESTING PROBLEM FOR PUNTERS

BY ANNEXING the Lingnan Handicap in Macao last Sunday Lovely Star has incurred a penalty of 7 lb. in the Taiwan Bay Handicap (first section) for "D" class China ponies over a mile, and the race is to be ridden by novice jockeys.

The recent denouement of several "C" class racers coupled with the inclusion of a few China pony griffins of this season to this section has presented a fascinating problem, and, furthermore, it is not easy to follow up the handicapper's line nor is it easy to spot the winner.

However, my best three are Blue Field, Eve of Hunting and Strathbannock.

New Iraqi Government Supplanting Regent

VICHY, Apr. 9 (Reuters).—The Iraq Nationalist leader and former Premier, Sayid Rashid el Gallanti, has formed a government of National Defence following his seizure of power in last week's coup d'état, according to a Baghdad report received here.

The Government is composed of six high officers and two civilians.

The announcement of its constitution says: "As the Regent has failed in all his duties and the constitution has been suspended, the Army, under the aegis of His Majesty King Faysal, has taken the power into its hands."

The new Government is credited with the intention of attempting, through Parliament, the deposition of the Regent, Emir Abdul Ilah, and setting up a Regency Council in which a member of Rashid's family is included.

Iraq is calm, the report adds.

Coast Guard Cutters For Britain

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"
WASHINGTON, Apr. 9 (UPI).—The White House announced to-day that the President has authorised the release of 10 Coast Guard cutters to Britain.

Mr Stephen Early, the President's Secretary, declined to reveal the names of the vessels; however, he said they were in good condition, built between 1928 and 1932.

The armaments are negligible but the British will re-equip them. It is understood that they are of approximately 1,975 tons each and capable of a speed of 10 knots.

For their Second Division League Cricket match against Craigengower at Cox's Road ground on Saturday, April 12, the team will be represented by: A. G. Green, J. C. Curran, P. Madar, K. M. Harter, W. H. Hunt, P. Goodwin, G. A. Goodman, J. J. Weston, W. L. Ripley, G. E. Taylor and H. Broken, G. W. W. Parsons as wicket-man, Scorer, T. W. Carr.

CHINESE ATTACK ON ANYI

SHANGKAO, April 9 (Central News).—Continuing their advance unchecked, Chinese troops are closing in on Anyi, important Japanese stronghold in northern Klang, 20 miles northwest of Nanchang.

Linggau and Lungtao-kang, strategic points southwest of Anyi, were reduced by the Chinese on April 7 following a vigorous assault which resulted in the expulsion of the Japanese with severe losses.

In a desperate attempt to retard the Chinese advance, the Japanese on April 4 resorted to the use of poison gas against the Chinese attacking Sungfu south of Anyi. Dozens of Chinese soldiers were struck by gas but were saved by prompt emergency relief measures.

Another Chinese unit which captured Yaponan, west of Anyi, inflicted numerous casualties on the Japanese and seized a considerable amount of arms.

Severe fighting is now progressing in the vicinity of Shihpukai, south of Anyi, where the Japanese are staging a vigorous counter-attack. Shihpukai was taken by the Chinese on the morning of April 4.

Train Hits Mine

SIUSHUI, Apr. 9 (Central News).—Striking a Chinese mine, a Japanese troop train on the Nanchang-Kluikang Railway has blown up near Liujiang on April 6, resulting in numerous casualties and considerable material loss.

To disrupt the Japanese communication on the railway, Chinese saboteurs have destroyed more than 100 kilometers of rails in the Hwang-liaomen and Maochihchiao sector of the line.

Hainan Island

CHUNGKING, Apr. 9 (Central News).—To prepare for their projected southward push, the Japanese have massed an army totalling some 70,000 men on Hainan Island.

Despite their persistent attacks on various points in the hinterland of Hainan, the Japanese have been checked by the vigorous resistance of Chinese troops under the command of General Wang Yi, Garrison Commander, and General Wu Tao-nan, Peace Preservation Commander of Hainan respectively.

Severe fighting is now raging in the Hsienschang-Paiyen-Shihpi sector in Wenchang on the eastern coast of the island.

H.K. Stock Market

The following quotations were issued on the Hongkong Stock Market this morning:

BANKS

H.K. Banks	.....	1,355 n.
H.K. Banks	E.....	75 n.
H.K. Banks (H.K.)	E.....	78½ n.
Mercantile, A. & B.C.	.....	21½ n.
Mercantile, C. E.	.....	10½ n.
East Asia S.	.....	70 b.

INSURANCES

Cantons	.....	225 b.
Union S.	.....	430 n.
China Underwriters S.	.....	1 n.
H.K. Fire S.	.....	187 n.

SHIPPING

Douglas	.....	135 n.
Steamboats	.....	8½ n.
Indo-Chinas P.	.....	80 n.
Indo-Chinas D.	.....	60 n.
Shell (Bearers) S.	.....	41½ n.
Waterboats S.x.d.	.....	655 n.

DOCKS ETC.

Wharves S.	.....	88 n.
Docks S.	.....	16 n.
Providents S.	.....	530 n.
Shai Dockyards S.	.....	26 n.

MINING

Kailan s/-	.....	15/ n.
Raubs S.	.....	8 n.
H.K. Mines	.....	1½ cts. n.

LANDS

Hotels S. x.d.	.....	3 b.
Lunds S.	.....	33½ n.
Lunds 4% Debentures	.....	97½ n.
Shai Lands Sh.	.....	12½ n.

Humphreys S.	.....	680 n.
H.K. Realities S.	.....	310 n.
Chinese Estates S.	.....	99 b.

UTILITIES

Trams S.	.....	16¾ n.
Peaks Trams (old) S.	.....	7½ n.
Peak Trams (new) S.	.....	3½ n.
Star Ferries S.	.....	52 n.
Y. Ferries S.	.....	23¾ n.

China Lights (old) S.	.....	62½ n.
China Lights (new) S.	.....	13½ n.
H.K. Electrics (old) x. rts. S.	.....	2620 n.
H.K. Electrics (new) S.	.....	25½ n.
H.K. Electrics Rts. S.	.....	15 n.

Macao Electrics (old) S.	.....	18½ n.
Macao Electrics (new) S.	17½ n.
Sundakan Lights S.	12 n.
Telephones (old) S.	23¾ n.
Telephones (new) S.	6½ n.

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The annual general meeting of the Hongkong Anti-Tuberculosis Association will be held in St John's Cathedral Hall, by kind permission of the Dean, at 5.30 p.m. on Friday, April 20.

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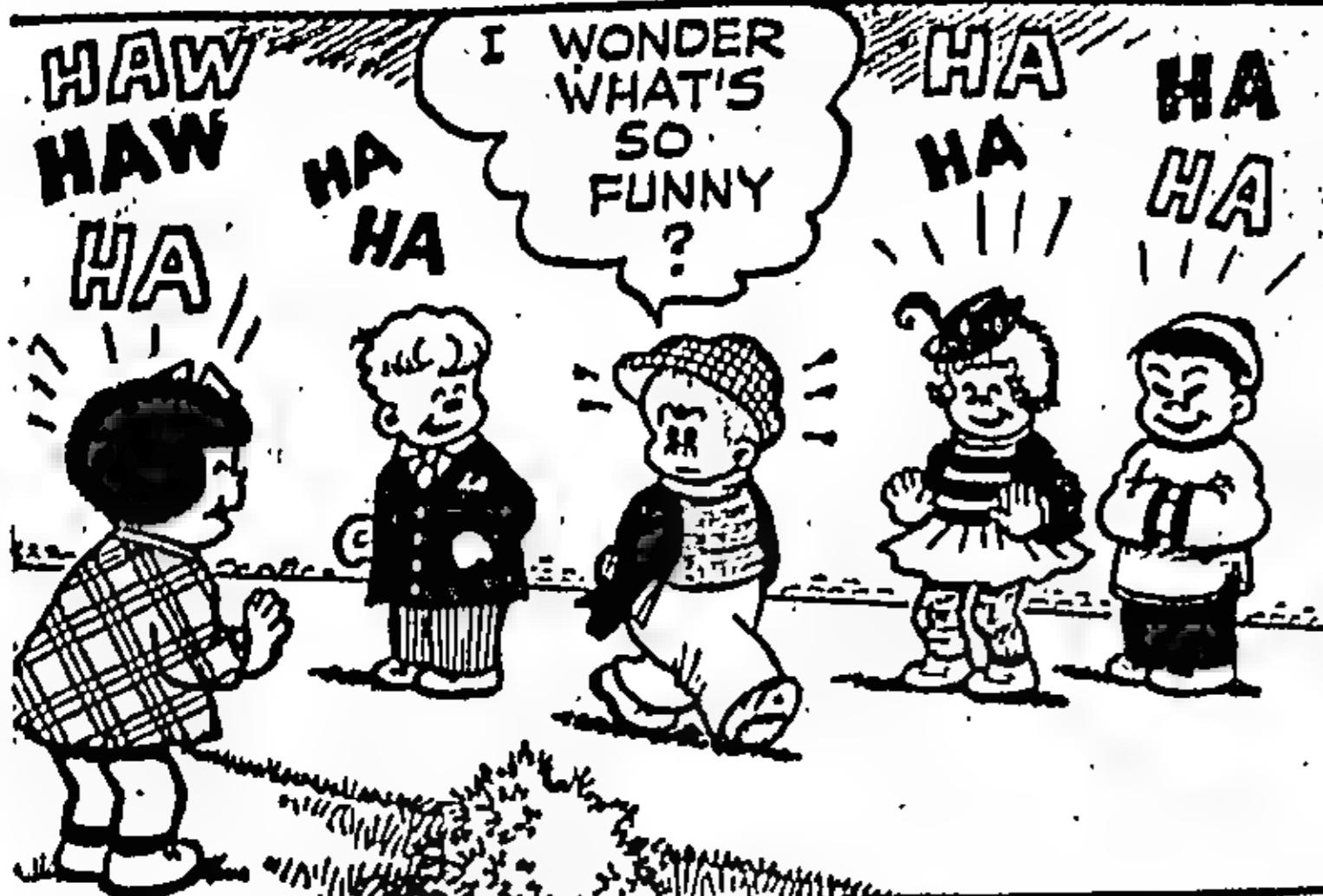
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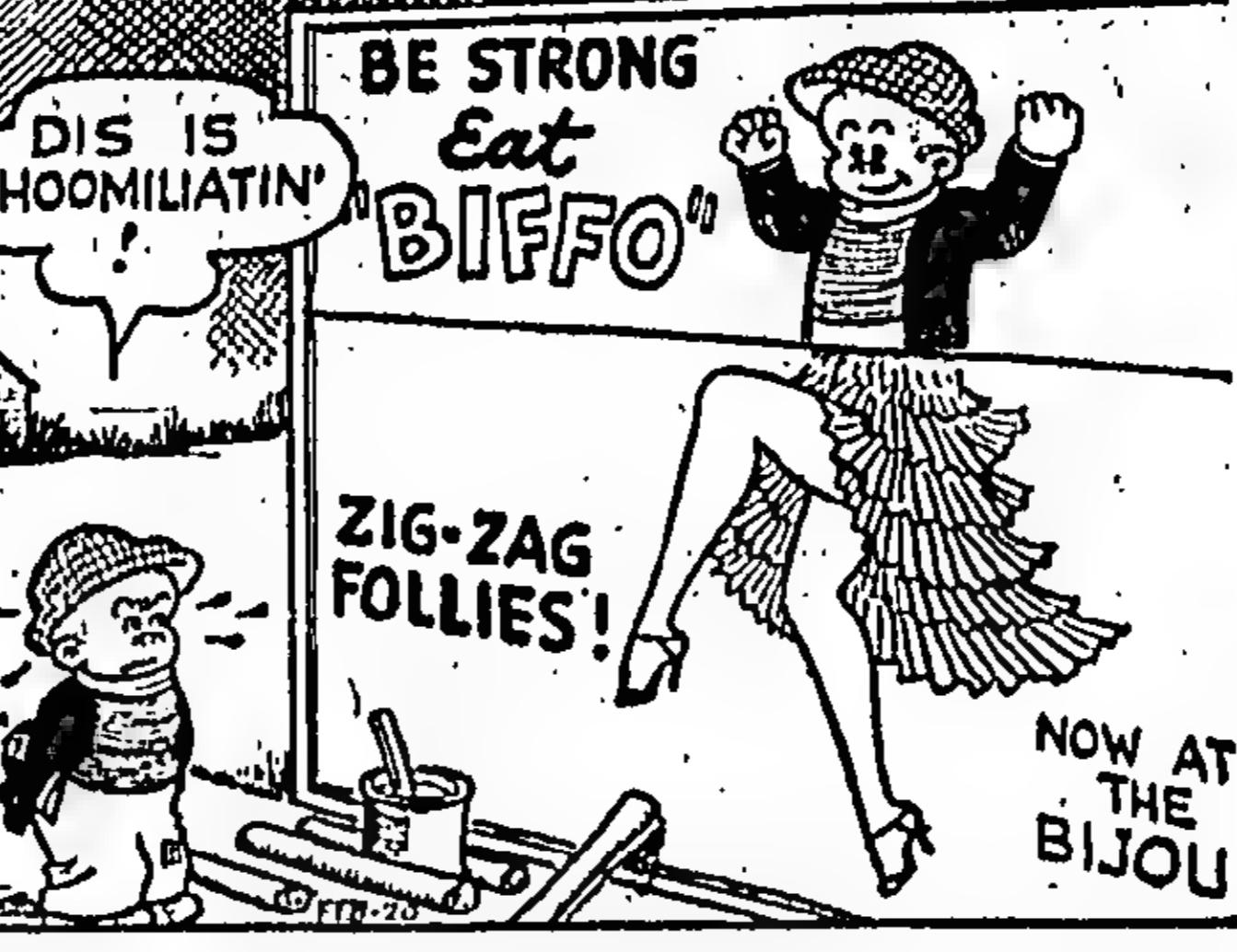
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Churchill Thanks U. S.; Warns Eire; Appreciates Petain

LONDON, Apr. 9 (Reuter).—In his address to the House of Commons, Mr Winston Churchill cordially welcomed Marshal Petain's declaration that France would neither act against her former ally nor take up arms against her.

"But we must, however, realise that the Vichy Government is in the hands of the Germans," he said.

"I wish to make it clear that we must maintain our blockade against Germany and those rights of contraband control at sea which have never been lost.

"Nevertheless, we have allowed in practice very considerable quantities of food to go to France out of a sincere desire to spare the French people every hardship in our power.

"When, however, it comes to thousands of tons of rubber and other vital war material which passes directly to the German armies, we are bound even at the risk of collision with French warships at sea to enforce our rights as recognised by International Law (Cheers).

"There is one other form of action into which Vichy might be led by the dictation of Germany, namely, the sending of powerful war vessels which are unfinished or even damaged from French African ports to ports in metropolitan France, which are either under the control of the Germans or may at short notice fall under their control. Such movements of French war vessels will alter the balance of naval power and would thus prejudice the interests of the United States as well as our own. Therefore, I trust that such incidents will be avoided or if they are not avoided, that the consequences which will follow from them will be understood and fairly judged by the French nation."

R.A.F. Growth

Mr Churchill continued: "I am glad to be able to report a continued and marked improvement in the relative strength of the R.A.F. as compared with that of Germany. Also I draw attention to the remarkable increase in its actual strength and in its bombing capacity, and also a marked augmentation in the power and size of the bombs which we shall be using in ever-increasing numbers.

"The sorties—which we are now accustomed to make upon German harbours and cities are increasing in numbers. In some cases, we have already in our raids exceeded in severity anything which a single town has. In a single night, experienced over here. At the same time, there is a sensible improvement in our means of dealing with German raids upon this island. Now moonlight periods are looked forward to by the R.A.F. as opportunities for inflicting severe deterrent losses upon the raiders as well as for striking

hard at the enemy in his own territory.

"The fact that the technical ad-

TRANSFERS MADE TO KEY-POSTS

Tribunal Hearing

Appeals for reassignment from the Combatant Group of the Hongkong Defence Reserve to the Key-Post Group were heard before the Compulsory Service Appeals Tribunal at the Supreme Court this morning, and were successful.

The Tribunal comprised the Chief Justice, Sir Atholl MacGregor (Chairman), and Brigadier A. Peffers.

Mr F. P. Franklin, Assistant General Manager of the South China Morning Post, Ltd., appeared on behalf of five members of the staff, Messrs J. R. Luke, S. A. Gray, H. Brookeshire, G. W. Giffen and R. J. Cloake.

The Chairman: Mr Franklin, we shall take up from the point where we broke off at the last appeal. I think the position is, and you will correct me if I am wrong, that having appealed as you had and having appeared on behalf of five of your staff before the Tribunal, we effected a compromise and you undertook to see how far you would be able, having regard to the ease of normal civil duties, to enable your fellows to do a modified and reduced degree of training. We now understand from the Commandant and Adjutant of the Volunteer Corps that that compromise has not worked and that only one of your staff has been able to do any of the parades at all.

Mr Franklin: One of the five, Sir.

The Chairman: Oh, yes. We know the other members of your staff are carrying out their training.

American Tonnage

"We have an assurance that several millions of tons of American new-built shipping will be available for the common struggle during the course of next year (Cheers). Here then is an assurance upon which we may count for staying powers without which it will not be possible to save the world from criminals.

"I am confident that we shall succeed in coping with the attacks and upon shipping in the Western and Northern Approaches. I hope that eventually the inhabitants of a sister Island may realise that it is as much in her interest as it is in ours that her ports and airfields should be available for naval and air forces which must operate even further into the Atlantic.

"The defeat of the U-boats and surface raiders has been proved to be entirely a question of adequate escorts for convoys. It would indeed be disastrous if the great masses of weapons, munitions and instruments of war made with the toll and skill of American hands and loaned to us under the Aid to Britain Bill were to sink into the depths of the ocean and never reach the hard-pressed fighting line.

"It would be a result lamentable to us over here, and I cannot believe that it would be found acceptable to the proud and resolute people of the United States (Cheers).

U.S. Cutters Transferred

"I am authorised to state that ten United States revenue cutters, fast vessels of about 2,000 tons displacement with fine armament and wide range of endurance, have already been placed at our disposal by the United States Government and will soon be in service (Cheers).

"It is, of course, very hazardous to try to forecast in what direction Hitler will employ his military machine in the present year. He may at any time attempt an invasion of this island. It is an ordeal from which we shall not shrink.

"At the present moment, he is driving fast through the Balkans and at any moment may turn upon Turkey. But there are many signs which point to an attempt to secure the granary of the Ukraine and the oil-fields of Caucasus as German means of gaining resources with which to wear down the English-speaking world.

On Hitler's Track

"Once we have gained the Battle of the Atlantic and are sure of a constant flow of American supplies, then however far Hitler may go or whatever new millions or scores of millions he may lay in misery, armed with the sword of retributive justice, we shall be on his track (Loud Cheers).

Roosevelt's Son For Yugo-Slavia?

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH".

WASHINGTON, Apr. 9 (UP).—It is authoritatively stated that Captain James Roosevelt, eldest son of the President, is tentatively arranging to proceed to Yugo-Slavia to observe for the United States Marine Corps.

Premier's Praise For The Indian Troops

LONDON, Apr. 9 (Reuter).—Mr Winston Churchill has sent a personal message to the Viceroy of India praising the achievements of the Indian forces in Africa.

The message states: "The whole Empire has been stirred by the achievements of the Indian forces in Eritrea. For me the story of the ardour and perseverance with which they scale and finally conquer the precipitous heights of Keren recalls memories of the North-West Frontier of long years ago, and it is as one who has had the honour to serve in the field with Indian soldiers from all parts of the Hindustan as well as in the name of His Majesty's Government that I ask Your Excellency to convey to them and to the whole Indian Army the pride and admiration with which we have followed their heroic exploits."

The Viceroy replied: "I have conveyed to the forces from India now fighting in Eritrea and to the whole Indian Army your generous message, for which I, on their behalf, thank you very heartily.

"Coming as it does from one who all his life has sought battle and found it in many various fields in all parts of the world and is now the fighting leader of the British Commonwealth of Nations, your message is an inspiration to us all."

Bomber Fund Raffle

88,000 Tickets Sold

Approximately 88,000 tickets, subject to final check, have been sold in the Bomber Fund Monster Raffle, the draw for which will be held at the Peninsula Hotel, commencing at 2 p.m. to-day.

There was a last-minute rush for the tickets yesterday, and to cope with the demand the closing time of some of the centres was extended from noon to 5 p.m.

Elaborate arrangements for the draw, which will be undertaken by His Honour the Chief Justice, Sir Atholl MacGregor, have been made.

Loud speakers have been installed throughout the ground floor lounge of the Hotel, and the proceedings are expected to take six or seven hours.

Acknowledgments

A total of \$1,756,533.24 was reached by the War Fund inaugurated by the S. C. M. Post, Ltd., with the following donations:

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For forced one day note issued on April 7 has been deducted from the above total.

Lord Mayor's Thanks

A telegram has been received through the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation from the Lord Mayor of London acknowledging receipt of £116 7s. 8d. recently remitted by the British War Organisation Fund from the proceeds of the Hongkong Police Force and Police Reserve Dance, in aid of air-raid distress.

The telegram reads: "Gratefully acknowledge gift my fund. Convey donors sincere appreciation."

Nominations To S.M.C.

SHANGHAI, Apr. 10 (Reuter).—Mr Tateki Horiechi, the Japanese Consul-General, has officially notified the Shanghai Municipal Council that the nomination of three Japanese Councillors to the S.M.C. was reached at a meeting of the Japanese Ratepayers' Association, it is learned.

The three Japanese nominated are Mr Yutaro Hanaway, manager of the Shanghai branch of the Mitsui Busan Kaihatsu, Mr Isamu Okamoto, a lawyer and former Japanese Consul-General in Singapore; and Mr Yasuzo Yajima, manager of the Shanghai office of the Nippon Yusen Kaihatsu.

Decorations For Flying

LONDON, Apr. 9 (British Wireless).—The King has approved making available to personnel of the Royal Navy and Royal Marines four coveted R.A.F. flying decorations, the D.F.C., D.F.M., A.F.C. and A.F.M.

It is intended that these distinctions should be for the flying personnel of the Fleet Air Arm. Who either have been individually lent to the R.A.F. or whose naval units were operating under the command of an air officer C-in-C.

Air force personnel serving with the R.A.A.F. are already eligible for certain naval decorations, D.F.C., C.G.M. and D.S.M.

The House of Commons' resolution of thanks to the forces and workers moved by Mr Churchill was carried unanimously.

A similar motion was carried in the House of Lords on the motion of Lord Moyne, Leader of the House.

NEW U. S. MINISTER TO CHINA

Gauss Ready To Leave

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

WASHINGTON, Apr. 9 (UP).—Mr Clarence Gauss, the new American Ambassador to China, bade farewell to President Roosevelt to-day prior to his departure for Chungking.

Mr Gauss told the press, "I am looking forward to returning to China. I served there for many years and I have a great many friends there. I will be glad to get back close to the Chinese Government. I look forward to China's future with the utmost confidence."

Mr Gauss finished his studies at the State Department preparatory to departing for New York on Wednesday for a few days rest before going west. He sails from San Francisco on April 25, arriving in Hongkong on May 17. He expects to reach Chungking about a week later.

Hongkong Aid For Scottish War Prisoners

A recent appeal by the Chieftain of Hongkong St Andrew's Society for donations to be remitted Home for the purchase of comforts to Scotsmen serving in His Majesty's Forces, resulted in the collection of \$5,737.99.

At a recent meeting of the General Committee of the Society, it was decided to send the equivalent of the above sum, namely, £285. 12. 7d., to the Scottish Red Cross Society, Glasgow, to be devoted towards the provision of parcels for Scottish Prisoners of War serving with the Army, Navy and Royal Air Force.

The Chieftain wishes to thank those members of St Andrew's Society who so generously contributed.

Netherlands Ministers

Manila Conference

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

HONOLULU, Apr. 9 (UP).—Herr J.R.H.M. Van der Schreick, a member of the Dutch Foreign Office, arrived here to-day on the steamer Lurline. He will leave by clipper for Manila to join Foreign Minister Van Kleef at Batavia from where he will proceed to Tokyo. He made no comment regarding his mission or regarding the present conferences now being held at Manila.

Giant Warship Launched

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

NEW YORK, Apr. 9 (UP).—The new 36,000-ton battleship North Carolina was commissioned at the Brooklyn Navy Yard to-day, tangible evidence of the United States' bid for naval supremacy. This makes a total of 16 capital ships compared with Britain's 17.

In a brief speech, the Secretary of the Navy, Colonel Frank Knox, said it was "one of the new line ships to give the United States the unchallenged supremacy of the seas."

U.S. Coal Strike Agreement

NEW YORK, Apr. 9 (Reuter).—That the agreement in the bituminous coal industry strike "is sufficient to assure the country that there will be no danger of a coal shortage" is announced by Mr J. R. Steelman, the Federal Government negotiator in the dispute.

He did not indicate when the bituminous mines would re-open.

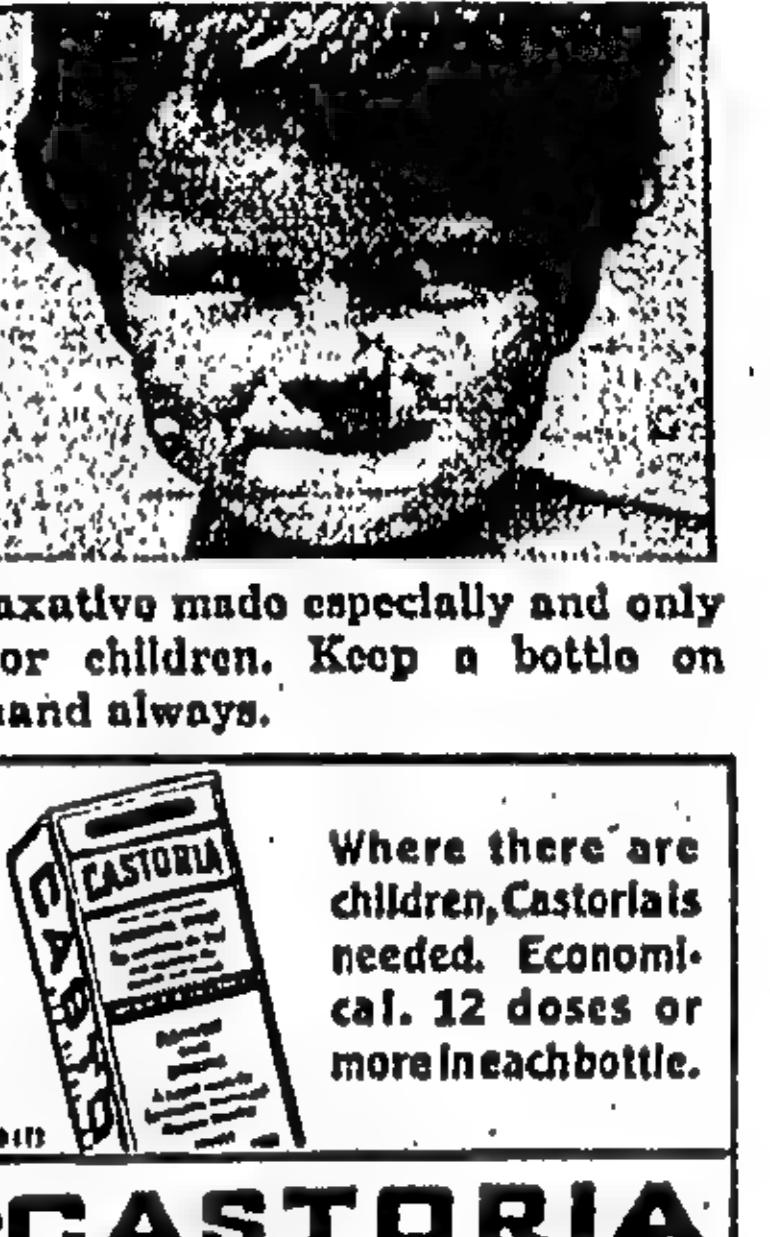
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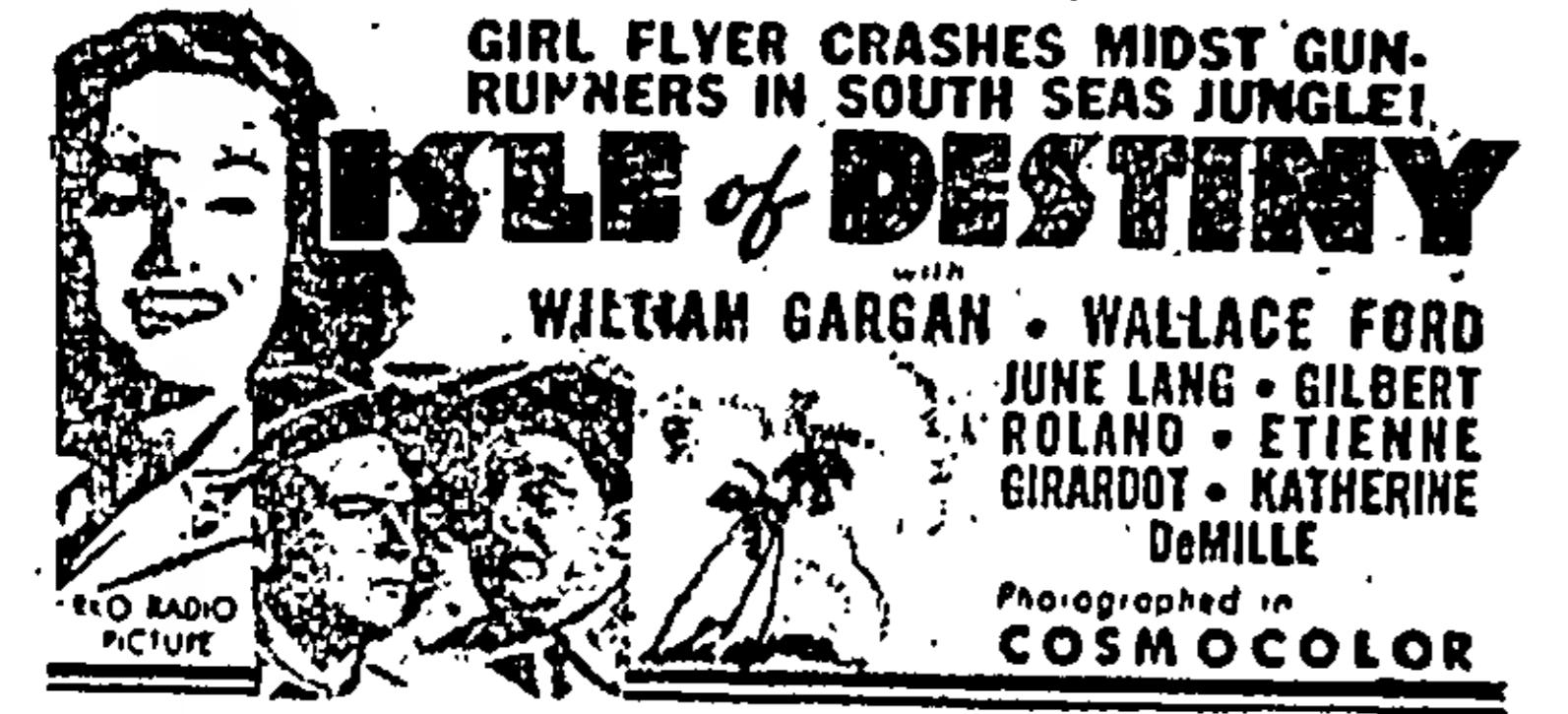
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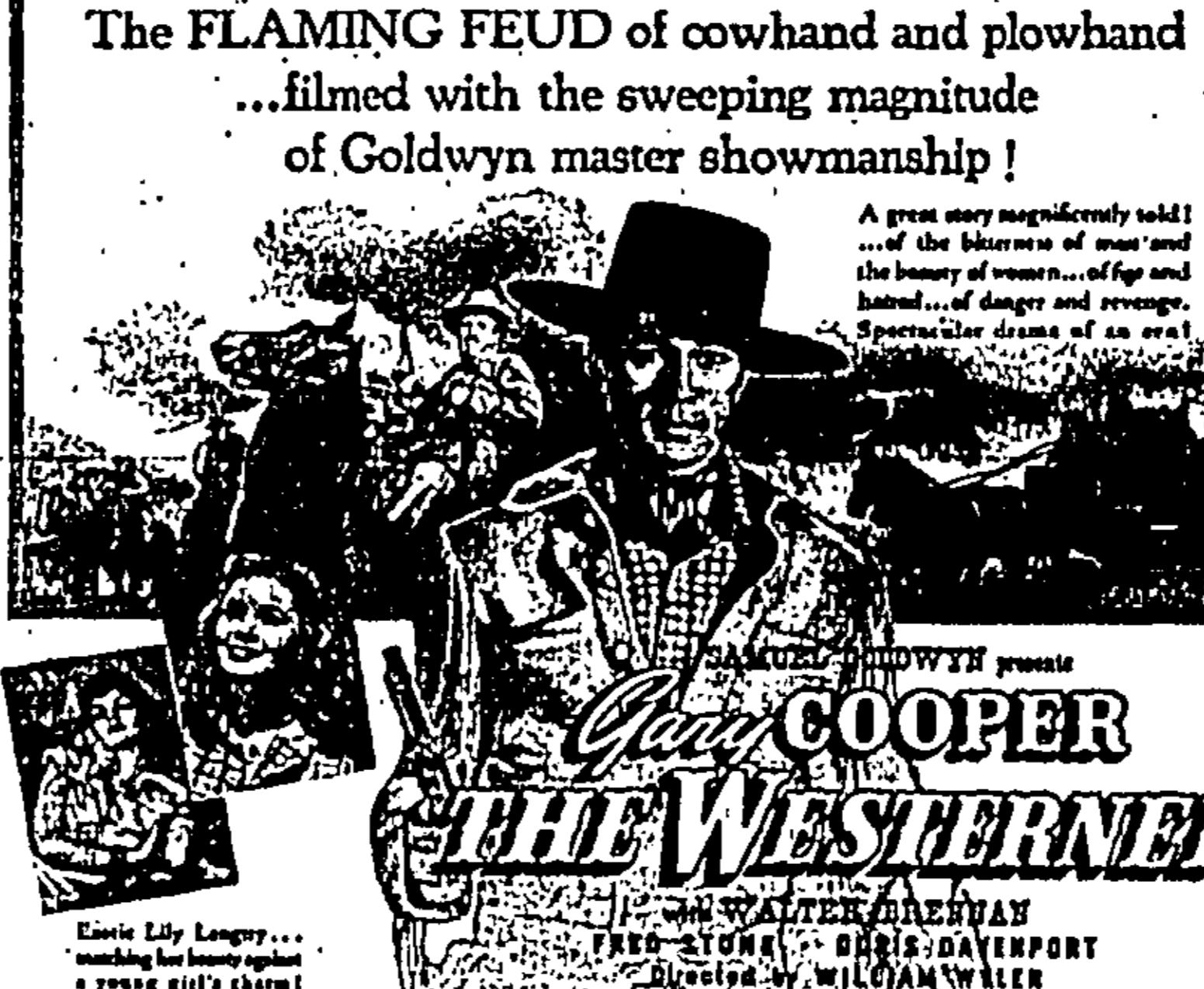
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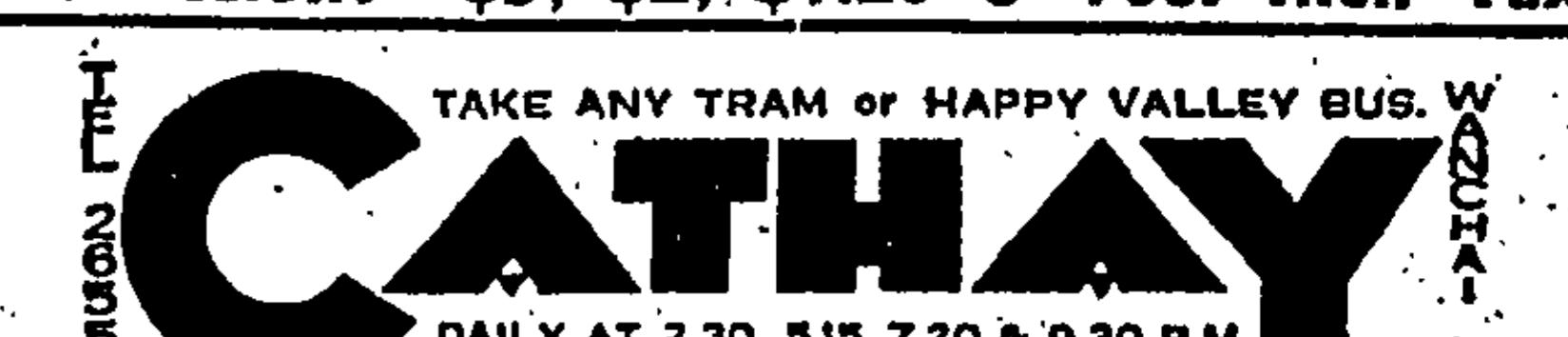
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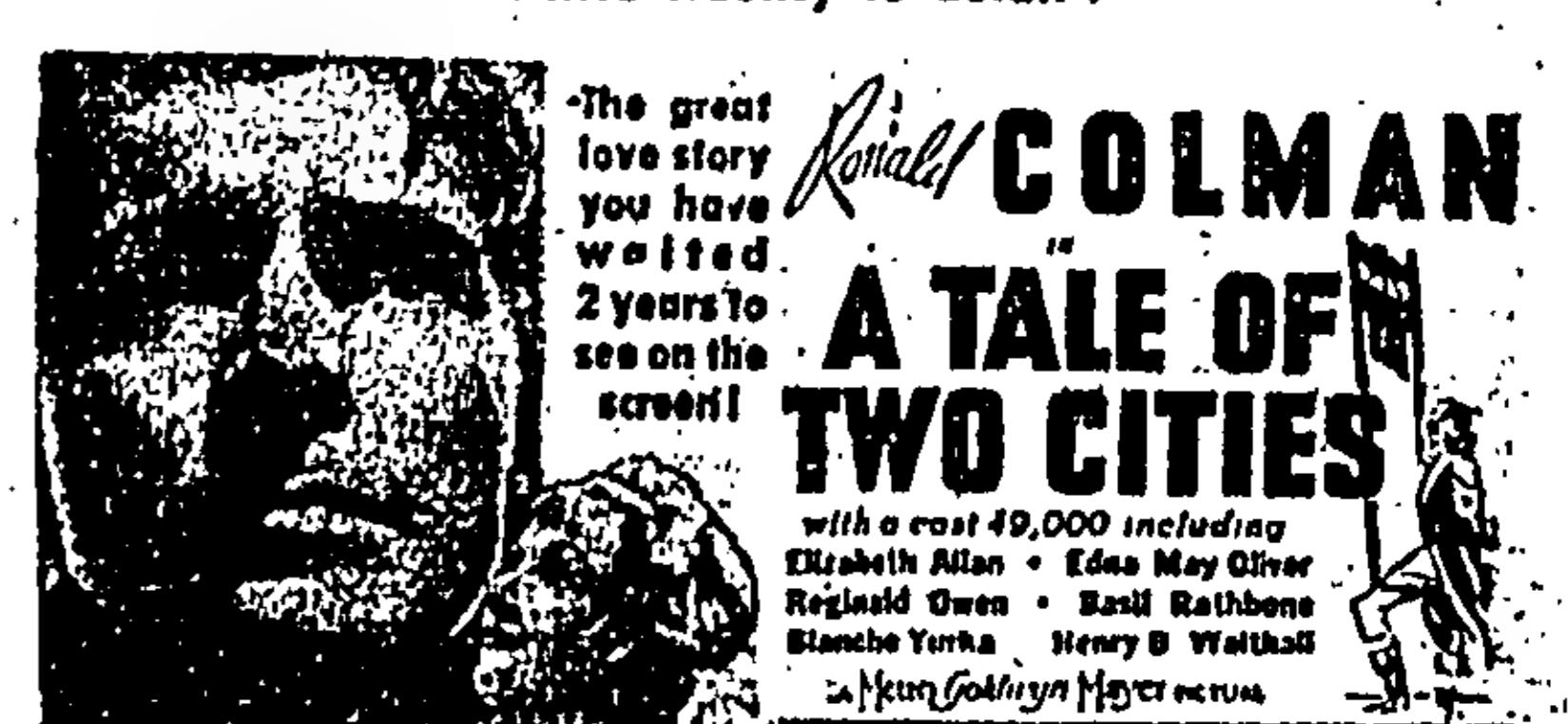
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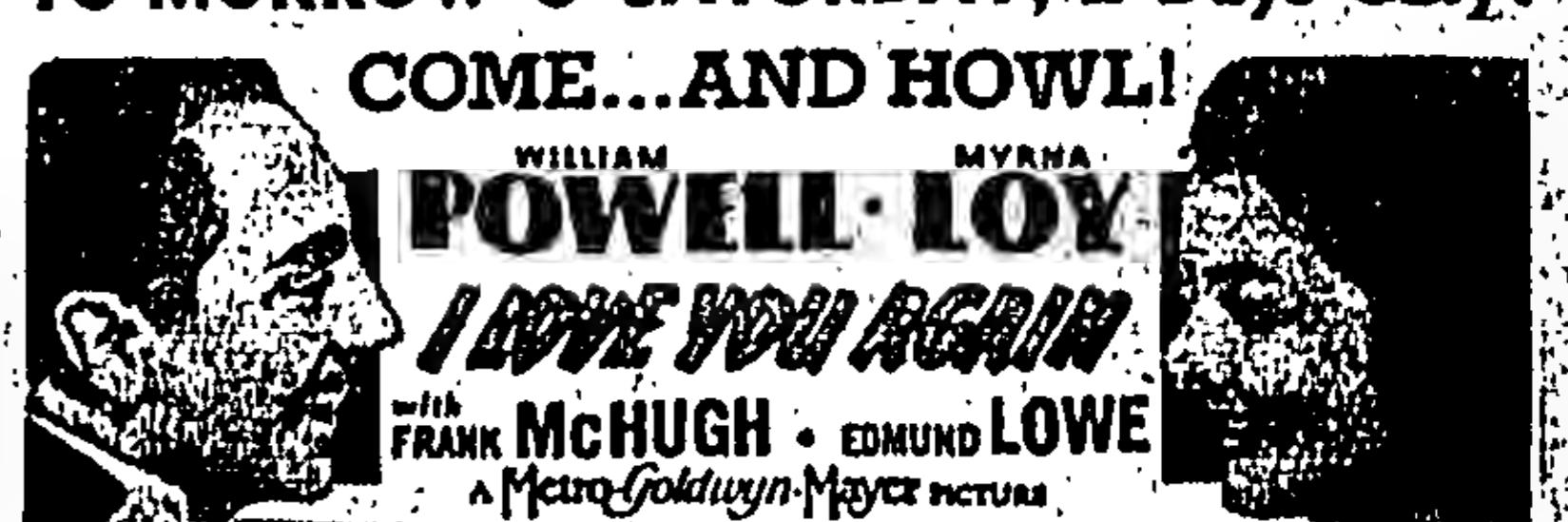


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LONDON, APR. 9 (UP).—WELL INFORMED CIRCLES ESTIMATED THAT SEVERAL GREEK DIVISIONS IN THRACE AND EASTERN MACEDONIA WERE PRACTICALLY SURROUNDED BY THE GERMAN THRUST ON SALONIKA, WHILE THE MAIN SERBIAN FORCES ARE HEMMED IN IN NORTHERN YUGO-SLAVIA AND ARE ALSO THREATENED WITH ENCIRCLEMENT. THEY ADDED, "IT IS OBVIOUS THAT THE IMMEDIATE OUTLOOK IS VERY SERIOUS."

TO HALT NAZIS AT TOBRUK

British Plan Indicated

LONDON, Apr. 9 (Reuter).—British tanks and other reinforcements in Libya are now establishing themselves in strong fortifications at Tobruk.

This was revealed by Lord Moyne, the Colonial Secretary, speaking in the House of Lords to-day. Lord Moyne said that the abandonment of Benghazi was the direct consequence of reinforcements sent to Greece together with the withdrawals of armoured vehicles for overhaul.

It was likely that the Germans, following their 600 miles advance from Tripoli to Benghazi, were now facing growing difficulties regarding repairs, fuel, water and other supplies, and they lacked seapower which supported Britain's spectacular advance.

Aided by seapower, British tanks were now establishing themselves in force round Tobruk.

Lord Moyne expressed the hope that President Roosevelt would soon remove the Red Sea from the list of combat zones now that the Italian bases there had been liquidated. This would enable American supplies to go direct via the Red Sea, saving shipping and the time involved by transhipment.

Massawa Taken

CAIRO, Apr. 9 (Reuter).—Massawa—captured yesterday afternoon and has now been occupied by British troops, states a G.I.Q. communiqué.

Meanwhile British mobile units are continuing their advance south and south-west along the Deseile-Gondar road.

In Libya, the British rear-guard, whose role it was to delay the enemy advance while the main British concentrations are being completed, was heavily engaged all yesterday by numerically superior forces.

Bombs On Gondar

CAIRO, Apr. 9 (Reuter).—In Abyssinia, camps and other military objectives in the Gondar area were bombed on Sunday and Monday by the A.R.F. TURN TO Back Page, Column 3

TURKEY WATCHES

LONDON, Apr. 9 (Reuter).—It is understood that the Turkish Foreign Minister (M. Sarayoglu) told the People's Party on Tuesday that the Government would meanwhile maintain a policy of non-belligerency.

The Government, he said, is continuing to watch closely the developments affecting Turkish interests.

New Iraqi Government Supplanting Regent

VICHY, Apr. 9 (Reuter).—The Iraq Nationalist leader and former Premier, Sayid Rashid el Gallanti, has formed a government of National Defence following his seizure of power in last week's coup d'état, according to a Baghdad report received here.

The Government is composed of six high officers and two civilians.

The announcement of its constitution says: "As the Regent has failed in all his duties and the constitution has been suspended the Army, under the aegis of His Majesty King Faisal, has taken the power into its hands."

The new Government is credited with the intention of attempting through Parliament, the deposition of the Regent, Emir Abdul Ilah, and setting up a Regency Council in which a member of Rashid's family is included.

Iraq is calm, the report adds.

India's War Relief For Yugo-Slavia

HYDERABAD, Apr. 9 (Reuter).—The State War Purposes Fund has decided to contribute £1,000 war relief to Yugo-Slavia.

Regarding the Greek divisions in Thrace, it was said: "They will undoubtedly hold out until the bitter end, but it is impossible to expect another miracle, because, although they possess the ports, there is a lack of shipping."

The German advance was described as a "rapid, surprising success," however, the fact that the Germans had not yet clashed with the British forces suggests that the defence of Salonika was not a part of the Allied plans.

"These are naturally secret, but one thing is certain—the B.E.F. is not negligible in quality or quantity."

British Military View

ATHENS, Apr. 9 (UP).—In the face of reports of reverses in the north, the British military spokesman to-day said, "It is natural that the Germans got off to a flying start because they have been able to choose their time. The situation is not necessarily bad and has its good sides."

He said that the British Staff is closely watching developments in Serbia where "we have good reasons to believe the Serbs will attain their ends."

It was at one time indicated that the large-scale preparations made by the British could cope with any eventuality. One source said: "It may be assumed that the British forces have not yet contacted the Germans, and it is impossible at the present to say when such contact will occur."

R.A.F. Blitzes The Blitz

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

CAIRO, Mar. 9 (UP).—Today's R.A.F. communiqué states that British bombers to-day heavily raided motor transports, bridges and highways to counter the German invasion of Yugo-Slavia and Greece.

The communiqué states: "In the Balkans, bomber aircraft of the R.A.F. continued to offer vigorous resistance yesterday to the enemy troops invading Greece and Yugo-Slavia."

"Heavy attacks were delivered on tanks and motor transport convoys in the Lake Duran area and bombs were observed to burst among the tanks and vehicles on the road between Strumica and Doiran. The railway bridge over the Devdelia River was damaged by direct hits."

The communiqué continues:

"Meanwhile British mobile units are continuing their advance south and south-west along the Deseile-Gondar road.

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whose role it was to delay the enemy advance while the main British concentrations are being completed, was heavily engaged all yesterday by numerically superior forces.

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Coast Guard Cutters For Britain

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

WASHINGTON, Apr. 9 (UP).—The White House announced to-day that the President has authorised the release of 10 Coast Guard cutters to Britain.

Mr Stephen Early, the President's Secretary, declined to reveal the names of the vessels; however he said they were in good condition, built between 1928 and 1932.

The armaments are negligible but the British will re-equip them.

It is understood that they are of approximately 1,975 tons each and capable of a speed of 10 knots.

To-day's Monster Raffle Draw

The public is invited to attend the drawing of the prizes in the Monster Raffle at the Peninsula Hotel to-day.

The draw will commence at 2 p.m. when His Honour Sir Atholl MacGregor will preside. It is expected that it will take between six and seven hours to complete.

LATEST

Battle of Balkans Not Won Despite Nazi Gains

(By "Reuter's" Diplomatic Correspondent)

LONDON, Apr. 9.—The entry of German advance detachments into Salonika not only means the loss of the capital of Macedonia but cuts the Greek armies in the field in two.

There may be several Greek

divisions in Thrace and eastern Macedonia, and they are practically surrounded.

While the German armies are thus engaged in the south, other forces have practically cut through Yugo-Slavia's waist-line and are now advancing northwards and westwards so as to threaten with encirclement the main forces which are being hemmed in Old Serbia.

At the same time, while the Yugo-Slavs are still opposing the German pressure from Rumania, Hungary and Austria, some of their forces have penetrated into Albania and should

create a diversion in the Italian rear.

It is obvious from this exposition of the military position that the immediate outlook in the Balkans must be regarded as serious; but is significant that the Germans have not yet come up against the British forces and this would suggest that the defence of Salonika was not a part of Britain's plan.

Britain's forces are not lightly to be disregarded.

The Battle of the Balkans has not yet been won or lost.

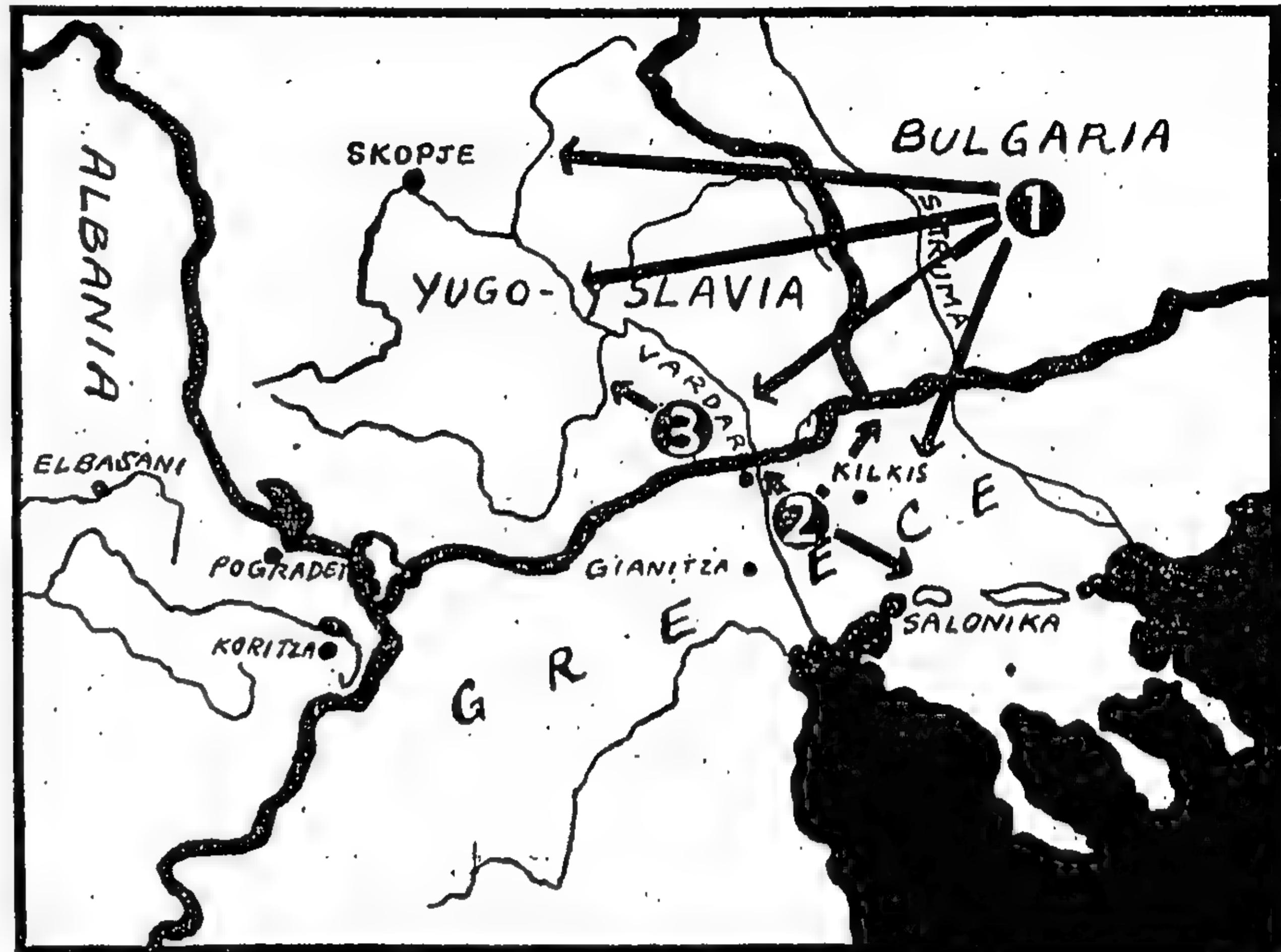
It is learned in authoritative circles in London that no British or Imperial troops were in the sector of the

Varadar.

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Tuesday's Situation On Balkans War Fronts

Tuesday's key situations on the Balkans war front were as follows: (1) Main German offensives against Yugo-Slavia and Greece, via the Struma and valley. (2) Anglo-Greek forces defend the Struma mountains and valley. (3) Serbs retreat exposing the Greek left flank to attack by Nazi Panzer divisions. The Allies had shortened their lines in Greece and were reported to have fallen back within 23 miles east of Salonika. Since then Salonika has fallen.



Churchill's Solemn Warning: Serious Nazi Menace Ahead

By WALLACE CARROLL
Special to the "Telegraph"

LONDON, Apr. 9 (UP).—In his speech before the House of Commons to-day, the Prime Minister, Mr Winston Churchill warned that Hitler's mightiest war effort threatens to strike against Britain, and may explode at any moment with an invasion attempt on Britain, an attack against Turkey and a thrust at the Russian wheat granaries and oil fields.

Nazi Atrocity Raid: Belgrade Wiped Out

ATHENS, Apr. 9 (Reuter).—The Royal Palace in a suburb of Belgrade was destroyed by thirty bombs during mass German raids on the city on Sunday says a message from the Yugo-Slav Government addressed, "To all civilised peoples."

The city was left "a mass of ruins and gutted homes" says the message which reads:

"We inform all civilised peoples of the frightful crimes committed by German armed forces in the war imposed on us. The capital of our country, which in good time was proclaimed an open and undefended city, was bombed by German aircraft without a declaration of war."

"On Sunday morning while the sound of church bells was calling the faithful to church for divine service a bombardment eclipsing in horror all imagination was launched by German planes."

Deluge of Bombs

"A veritable deluge of incendiary and explosive bombs turned the city into a mass of ruins and gutted homes while all the streets of Belgrade were covered with the bodies of children, women or men."

"Never during the long history of this city were such cruelties committed even by the most primitive invaders. This devastation of a defenceless open city was executed by the aircraft of that nation which claimed for itself first place among cultured peoples. All the precepts of international right and human consideration were set aside by German planes which destroyed most of the hospitals, churches, schools and cultural institutions of Belgrade in broad daylight."

"The Royal Palace was destroyed by thirty bombs. German planes even bombed isolated houses killing thus Dr Koulavetz, leader of the Slovene people and a member of the Government."

"German planes machine-gunned women and children fleeing their burning homes."

NO "TELEGRAPH" TO-MORROW

To-morrow being Good Friday, there will be no publication of the "Hongkong Telegraph."

The paper will be issued as usual on Saturday.

Hongkong Aid For Scottish War Prisoners

A recent appeal by the Chieftain of St Andrew's Society for donations to be remitted Home for the purchase of comforts to Scotsmen serving in His Majesty's Forces resulted in the collection of \$5,737.00.

At a recent meeting of the General Committee of the Society, it was decided to send the equivalent of the above sum, namely, £235.12. 7d., to the Scottish Red Cross Society, Glasgow, to be devoted towards the provision of parcels for Scottish Prisoners of War serving with the Army, Navy and Royal Air Force.

The Chieftain wishes to thank those members of St Andrew's Society who so generously contributed.

Premier's Praise For The Indian Troops

LONDON, Apr. 9 (Reuter).—Mr Winston Churchill has sent a personal message to the Viceroy of India praising the achievements of the Indian forces in Africa.

The message states: "The whole Empire has been stirred by the achievements of the Indian forces in Eritrea. For me the story of the arduous and perseverance with which they scale and finally conquer the precipitous heights of Keren recalls memories of the North-West Frontier of long years ago, and it is one who has had the honour to serve in the field with Indian soldiers from all parts of the Hindustan as well as in the name of His Majesty's Government that I ask Your Excellency to convey to them and to the whole Indian Army the pride and admiration with which we have followed their heroic exploits."

The Viceroy replied: "I have conveyed to the forces from India now fighting in Eritrea and to the whole Indian Army your generous message, for which I, on their behalf, thank you very heartily."

"Coming as it does from one who all his life has sought battle and found it in many various fields in all parts of the world and is now the fighting leader of the British Commonwealth of Nations, your message is an inspiration to us all."

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Wallace Gives American View

NEW YORK, Apr. 9 (Reuter).—"Britain will win," Mr. Henry Wallace, Vice-President of the United States, told the Foreign Policy Association to-day.

"Only defeatism on the psychological and economic front of the United States can prevent it. A Nazi victory and a Nazi peace are unthinkable. To avoid such a calamity, we will help ourselves through helping England with all methods short of war."

"Our help must be such that neither a madman nor a mad nation will ever again have the opportunity to kill millions of people and destroy billions of dollars worth of property."

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NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS

The Thirty-sixth Annual General Meeting of Shareholders will be held at the Offices of Messrs Dodwell & Co. Ltd., Hongkong and Shanghai Bank Building, on Tuesday, the 16th April, 1941, at 11 a.m. for the purpose of receiving the report of the General Managers together with a Statement of Accounts for the year ended 31st December, 1940.

The Transfer Books of the Company will be closed from 1st April to 15th April, 1941, both days inclusive.

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PEOPLES' WAR

LONDON, Apr. 9 (Reuter).—Mr R. G. Menzies, the Australian Prime Minister, speaking in London to-day, said that if ever a war could be described as a people's war, it was this one.

He added: "If every leader the people had was struck down tomorrow, the people of this country and of the British Empire would fight on. They would take up for themselves new leaders because they had not been led into this war. They had marched into it and had asked their leaders to take them into it."

Soviet Opinion On War

MOSCOW, Apr. 9 (Reuter).—"The centre of gravity of the war has gone from the west to the east and there is no need now to speak any further about the invasion of Britain," declared Colonel Popoff in to-day's "Red Star" organ of the Soviet Army.

Discussing the Balkans front, Colonel Popoff says that the "German Command is facing a serious enemy."

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H.K.T. 12.15 p.m. Short Service of Intercession.

12.30 Variety with Gracie Fields, The Duncan Sisters and Alan Jones.

1 Local Time Signal.

1.01 Songs by Leslie Hutchinson at the Piano.

1.11 A Light Instrumental Pro-

gramme: Goodnight Vienna (from the film) ... Len Fills (Hawaiian Guitar) with Orchestra; Gershwin Fox-Trot Medley; Slow Tempo—Oh Lady be Good; S Wonderful; Looking for a Boy; Fast Tempo—Fascinating Rhythm; Clap Yo' Hands; That Certain Feeling... Harry Roy's Tiger-Ragamuffins (Two Planes) with string bass and drums; La Preleuse (Couperin); Fair Rosemary (Kreisler)... Marcel Mule (Saxophone) with Piano; Atta Con Variazion (Mozzani); Mario Maccaferri (Guitar).

1.30 Reuter and Rugby Press and Announcements.

1.45 Schubert—Symphony No. 4 in C Minor ("Tragic").

1 Mov: Adagio molto—Allegro vivace

2nd Mov: Andante 3rd Mov: Menuetto (Allegro vivace) and Trio 4th Mov: Allegro... Philharmonic Symphony Orchestra of New York cond. by John Barbirolli.

2.15 Close down.

2.45 Indian Programme.

3.00 Closing local Stock Quotations.

3.62 Scenes from Noel Coward's "To-night at 8.30."

Scene from "Red Peppers" Intro: Has anybody seen our ship? and Men about Town; Scene from "Shadow Play" Intro: Then; The Orchestra, Play and You were there; Scene from "Family Album" Here's a Toast and The Musical Box" Intro: Hearts and Flowers... Gertrude Lawrence, Noel Coward and Company a/c, by the Phoenix Theatre Orchestra cond. by Clifford Greenwood.

7 London Relay—The News.

7.15 London Relay—Talk: 'Meet Uncle Sam.'

7.30 Concert Waltzes with Ina Souza (Soprano).

8 Local Time Signal and Announcements.

8.02 Albert Sandler and His Orchestra.

Live, Laugh and Love (from "Congress Dances"—Heymann); Jealousy (Gade); Tell Me To-night (from the film); Where the Woods are Green (Brodeszky).

8.15 Studio—Local Newsletter.

8.28 Compositions of Liszt.

Spanish Rhapsody; Introduction—

Folies d'Espagne—Jota Aragonesa—

Finale; Egg Petri (Piano) and

The Philharmonic Symphony Orchestra cond. by Dimitri Mitropoulos; Hungarian Rhapsody No. 1 in F... Longhorn Symphony Orchestra cond. by Albert Coates; Sonetto Del Petrarca No. 123; Fox Follets... Anatole Kitain (Piano).

9 London Relay—The News.

9.15 London Relay—Questions of the Hour.

9.30 Studio—Recital by Captain Thomson (Bass) with E. O'Neill Shaw at the Piano.

1. Prologue from "Pagliacci" (Leoncavallo); 2. Toreador's Song from "Carmen" (Bizet); 3. (a) The Windmill (Nelson); (b) Bless this House (Mary Brabe); (c) The Revel (Walace); (d) Trottin' to the Fair (arr. Stanford).

9.45 News in French (on Short Wave only).

9.50 Orchestral Interlude.

Impression D'Orientale—Descriptive (Amadei); Souvenir D'Ukraine—Descriptive (Ferraris)... Armando Di Pirano and His Orchestra.

10 London Relay—To Talk of Many Things.

10.15 Dance Music with Variety.

11 Close down.

H.K. Stock Market

The following quotations were issued on the Hongkong Stock Market this morning.

BANKS

H.K. Banks \$..... 1,355 n.

H.K. Banks £..... 75 n.

T.T. Shanghai 450

T.T. Singapore 52½

T.T. Japan 102½

T.T. India 24½

T.T. U.S.A. 48½

T.T. Manila 45½

T.T. Batavia 45½

T.T. Bangkok 149½

T.T. Saigon 105

T.T. France 103

T.T. Australia 1/0½

INSURANCES

Cantons \$..... 225 n.

Unior \$..... 130 n.

China Underwriters \$..... 1 n.

H.K. Fire \$..... 187 n.

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Douglas \$..... 135 n.

Steamboats \$..... 8½ n.

Indo-Chinas P. \$..... 100 n.

Indo-Chinas D. \$..... 60 n.

Shell (Bearers) \$/..... 41/3 n.

Waterboats \$/x.d. 0.55 n.

DOCKS ETC.

Wharves \$..... 68 n.

Docks \$..... 16 n.

Providents \$..... 5.30 n.

Shih Dockyards \$..... 26 n.

MINING

Kalian \$/..... 15½ n.

Raubs \$/..... 8 n.

H.K. Mines \$/..... 1/4 n.

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Hotels \$/x.d. 3 b.

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Lands 4% Debentures 97½ n.

Shih Lands Sh. \$/..... 12.30 n.

Humphreys \$/..... 0.00 n.

H.K. Realities \$/..... 3.10 n.

Chinese Estates \$/..... 0.00 b.

UTILITIES

Trams \$/..... 16½ n.

Peak Trams (old) \$/..... 7½ n.

Peak Trams (new) \$/..... 3 n.

Star Ferries \$/..... 52 b.

Ferry Ferries \$/..... 23½ n.

China Lights (old) 6.20 n.

China Lights (new) 1.34 n.

H.K. Electrics (old) x. rts. 26.20 n.

H.K. Electrics (new) 25½ n.

H.K. Electrics Rts. 15 n.

Macau Electrics (old) 18½ n.

Macau Electrics (new) 17½ n.

Sandakan Lights \$/..... 12 n.

Telephones (old) \$/..... 23½ n.

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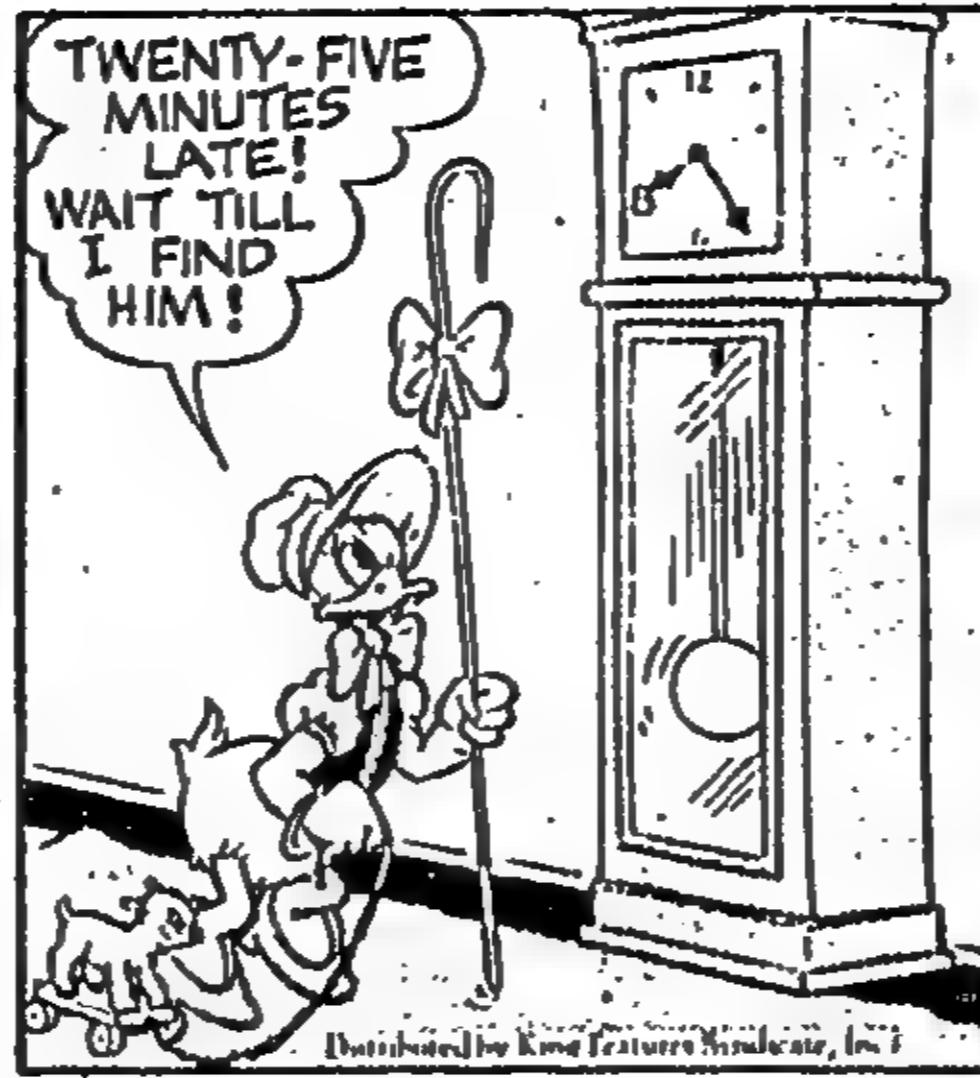
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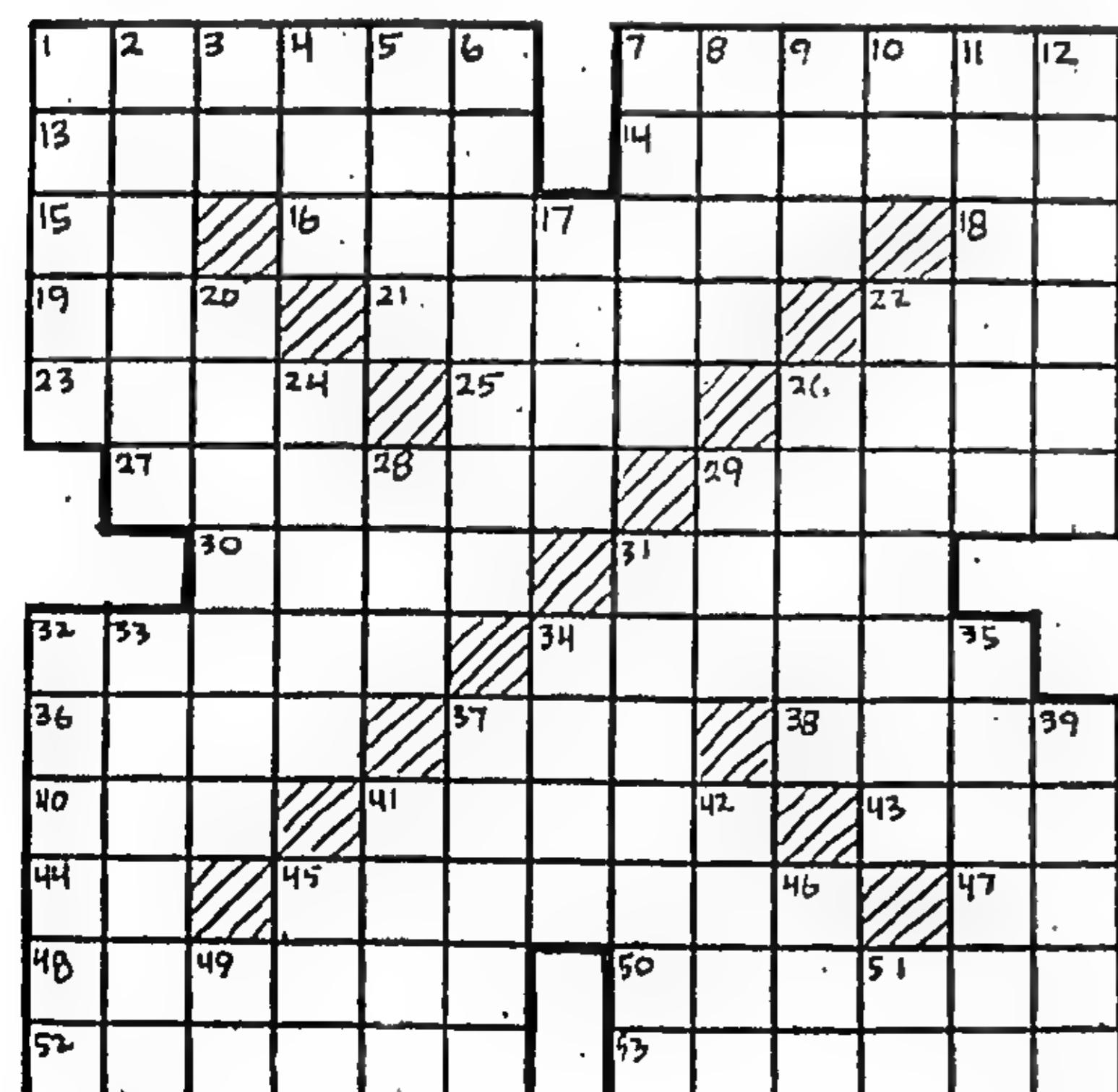


"Madam, this IS the complaint department—we haven't any other departments."

Crossword Puzzle

By LARS MORRIS

ACROSS									
1-Doring insects									
7-Petites									
13-Pertaining to scenes									
14-Relaxing past									
15-Japanese measure									
16-Handsome-like fabric									
17-Tension									
18-General labor.)									
21-Clyster									
22-Hand gloves									
23-Enough (poetic)									
25-Smial mound									
27-Arranged in rows									
28-Canine teeth									
30-Private vehicle									
31-Hustles									
32-Malice									
33-Hunting star									
35-Beverages									
37-Deceitful									
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40-Goat									
41-Becks									
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By H. V. MORTON



Our Great New Army—No. 11

THEY MEASURE MINDS

A COLONEL, who is training thousands of recruits fresh from civil life, tells me that he has been keeping some interesting records of men and their jobs.

These prove that hardly one man in a hundred has any true choice in the career he takes up.

Most men begin their working life by doing anything that will give them an immediate wage, irrespective of its appeal to them, or their suitability for it.

Thousands go automatically into the factory, the mill or the pit, because it is the local custom; thousands adopt the trades of their fathers, and only a small percentage deliberately set out to do what they wish.

These tests vary, of course, from one branch of the service to another.

The Right Idea

"The result is," said this colonel,

"that life is even fuller than I imagined it to be of square pegs in round holes."

Economic necessity drives many men into jobs which they either actively hate or mildly dislike, and they never have a chance to pause and discover a job they would prefer, or one more suited to their abilities.

"When the war is over, and we make our New Order, I suggest that our starting point is the realisation that men are more important than money and that human happiness is more important than industrial profits."

Having agreed to this, we must then apply some system of measurement to men's minds in order to decide, or rather help them to decide, the work they are most fitted to do.

"Perhaps the Army has got the right idea in its psychology and intelligence tests."

Welcome Change

Those who regard the Army as a vast, but careless, employer of labour may be surprised to learn that for the last six months the War Office has been applying a test to its manpower that Industry has never attempted to apply to the capacity of ordinary workers.

This is the most ambitious attempt ever made to find the right man for the job.

No one pretends that these tests are infallible, but everyone in authority realises that they do prevent an enormous number of men from being sent into duties which they are neither mentally nor temperamentally fitted to perform.

This is a welcome change from the last war, when a man's fitness for any particular job was less important than his proximity to it.

Twenty-five years ago, for instance, an accomplished pianist would, as likely as not, be discovered with blackened hands in the cookhouse—and there may be similar victims this time, but not so many!

The Army to-day takes such a man and attempts to assess his usefulness in modern war.

What does this consist? His knowledge of Beethoven? No. His sense of sound? Not necessarily. His hands? Yes—definitely.

You would probably find that pliant to-day working some delicate machine, such as a predictor, which requires "playing" with a sensitive touch.

The methods by which ability in war are assessed are known as psychology and intelligence tests, and they are devised by the School of Psychology at Cambridge.

I believe I am right in saying that the Air Force first used them to find out whether immigrants had been trained for a job in a Wellington.

So successful were they in picking out the bomber temperament from the fighter temperament that the Army decided to apply similar tests to all recruits.

These tests vary, of course, from one branch of the service to another.

Training Ways

I watched one of these examinations at training centre for light A.A. gunners.

They had been drafted to this centre from every branch of civil employment. There were men from villages and cities, from factories and fields.

To turn over their documents in the orderly room was to find the particularities of a landscape gardener lying between those of a mason's labourer and a garage hand.

Now the task of the centre is to find out as soon as possible those who are best fitted by temperament to man the ten positions on the gun.

Number 1 is the detachment commander. He must have his wits about him and be able to give orders.

Numbers 2 and 3 are in charge of the predictor, and require quick brains and good hands.

Numbers 4 and 5 are on the gun itself—Number 7 aims it for line; Number 8 for elevation. They must be men with good sight and quick physical reaction.

Number 4 loads and fires under orders. He has to be quick, sensible fellow, but, apart from that, he is a routine job.

Numbers 5 and 6 are ammunition dumpers who carry the shells to Number 4.

Number 9 works the electrical generator and drives one of the lorries. He must be a mechanical type.

Number 10 is really the second in command, and must be able to control the gun, if he is not using the predictor.

How It Works

Thus you see how many varied qualities are demanded from a perfect gun team.

Now let us see how psychology helps to pick these men.

We went into an Army hut, where about twenty young soldiers were sitting at tables. A sergeant handed out papers containing groups of printed figures.

An officer spoke to the men and, after explaining the tests, gave out the first problem:

"If a lieutenant is senior to a general, place a cross under every nine in the first line, but if a general is senior to a lieutenant cross out all numbers immediately before nine. You have five seconds to do it."

"But he might be a perfect Number 6!"

"On the other hand, tests are not everything. Men do not always do themselves justice. Some, who would

The sergeant with a stop-watch timed them, and they went on to the next question:

"You will see on the paper before you three circles and the figure X. The figure X represents a ship at sea and the three circles are mines. You have five seconds to draw a line from the ships, X, showing its course north of the first, two miles and south of the third."

Various problems of this kind, each becoming more difficult, were set, all of them designed to indicate quickness of brain, common sense, ability to follow an instruction and general intelligence.

Then followed a number of eye and judgment tests—obviously important for A.A. gunners.

The men were given sheets of paper on which were printed six numbered squares, and on each square was printed a triangle, a circle or some other geometrical shape.

Beneath the circles were perhaps twenty assorted geometrical shapes, some of which corresponded to the shapes on the squares.

More Tests

One minute was allowed for the men to decide which shapes corresponded.

This was not difficult because the shapes were all the right way up, and could easily be judged at a glance. But the next test was more difficult because the shapes, in addition to being more complicated, were upside down or at an angle different from those in the squares.

It required considerable judgment and a good eye to decide which was which.

The third and fourth tests were so difficult that, I was told, only archery, draughtsmanship, or others used to dealing with plans, usually got full marks in the time allowed.

The men were then put through two ingenious tests designed to indicate lightness of touch and control of machinery.

First, they came out one by one and were given a slate on which were engraved two wavy lines with a narrow track between them, only a fraction of an inch in width.

The two sides of the track were electrically charged so that when a metal pencil was placed on the track it immediately lit with a buzz or a sharp crackling sound from the other end had been touched.

The test consisted of running over the track with the metal pencil without touching the sides and setting up a penalising buzz.

No one, I was told, has ever done this with fewer than about twenty buzzes, and the average number is fifty.

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"Such tests give us something to go on," said the officer.

"They show, for instance, that it would be a waste of man power to train a fellow who has perfect hands as an ammunition dumper, while it would be equally wasteful to expect a man, who cannot do the simplest test, to master the intricacies of the predictor, or to be a good No. 1 or Number IV."

"But he might be a perfect Number 6!"

"On the other hand, tests are not everything. Men do not always do themselves justice. Some, who would

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The relatives of the late Joaquin Baptista beg to tender their heartfelt thanks to all friends for their kind sympathy in their bereavement also for the floral tributes and attendance at the funeral.

**The
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Thursday, April 10, 1941.

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CIRENAICA RETREAT

POPULAR reaction to the British withdrawals from Cirenaica has perforce leaned towards puzzlement mixed with some anxiety. What do they portend? has been the question generally asked. It is impossible to give an emphatic answer, but certain points can be, and should be taken into consideration.

It must be remembered that Britain, in her Mediterranean and African campaign has been faced with three responsibilities. Firstly, the safeguarding of Egypt; secondly, the destruction of the Italian empire in East Africa; thirdly, the needs of our Balkan Allies. It has been impossible to conduct that campaign without taking cognisance of these three factors collectively. Hence, the brilliant offensive in the Western Desert in which "Graziani's" huge and splendidly equipped army was routed, had of necessity, to be a prelude both to the successful completion of the campaign in East Africa which has finally destroyed the Italian empire, and to the release of certain troops for the impending Balkans war.

It now seems clear that General Wavell set himself a time-table to which he and his troops have adhered with almost miraculous precision. His skilful disposition of troops and his strategy cannot be challenged, and because he has proved his worth, confidence in his judgment, remains unimpaired.

The knowledge that Nazi mechanised and infantry forces in considerable numbers have been able to land in Tripoli from Sicily is unparsable, and it would be unrealistic to ignore the potential danger of the present advance by Axis forces in Cirenaica. But this, of itself, does not necessarily change the essentials of the Mediterranean and Middle East situation. The original Wavell advance in North Africa was primarily and almost exclusively for the purpose of crushing and defeating an army; it was not designed to capture and hold comparatively unimportant desert wastes and harbours which had been blasted beyond usefulness. The purpose was accomplished; the threat to Egypt was dissolved and the subsequent reduction of the rest of Mussolini's overseas possessions realised.

The withdrawals from Cirenaica are obviously strategical in design; they are casting us but little in man or material; meanwhile the British Command can make its plans for full resistance in its own time and choosing its own place. The successful conclusion of the East African campaign is certain to release for use elsewhere thousands of "blooded" British soldiers whose own equipment has been reinforced by huge quantities of captured material; and it is conceivable that these will be the men who will stop the Axis advance in North Africa when and where it is desired.

It is in this perspective that the British withdrawals from Cirenaica should be viewed.



**An Easter Message By
A. J. CRONIN**

Author of "Hatter's Castle," etc.

For then, the earth is awakening. Lambs frisk in the green pastures, the trees put forth their buds. The birds sing again, spring flowers break upon the mossy freshness of the woodland banks. Sap runs anew in the willow shoots, yellow catkins nod in the breeze, the rivers fill the lush meadows with their music.

New life is everywhere, a sense of brightness and of light.

Light, indeed . . . Ah! That is the key for which we blindly seek.

The very name of Easter, from the Saxon Eostre, emblem of light, betokens the true significance of the festival, the rebirth of hope in the souls of men.

On Good Friday, the peoples of creation touched the abyss of their dejection. All light was gone, all hope seemed lost!

Then came the cry: "Christ is risen! The days of darkness and defeat are past! Christ is risen from the dead!"

And so, this Easter, above all times, we have the invitation to open our hearts to this everlasting light, to cast out the gloomy shadows of despair. To let Christ arise, not in the stereotyped lip service of clamorous, conflicting creeds, not in platitudes invoked to suit the policies of politicians, but in sweet tranquillity, secretly, within our breasts.

Make no mistake . . . this present chaos is no novelty.

MANKIND, through the ages, has known war before, and cruelty, torture, oppression, the ghastly stalemate of siege, the horrors of famine and of plague.

And mankind has survived. Mankind has endured these horrors, not of its own seeking; has struggled from the pits into which, with cheering and with drums, it has been led, has emerged, triumphant, marching onwards to a gentler era, a period of recovery and peace.

Nowadays we are gorged with

From the pulpits of Christendom we are urged to believe in God, to love our highly unlovable neighbours as ourselves.

AND through it all, through the sound and the fury of the exhortations, the world lies bathed in Stygian despair.

Down in the dark corners of many human hearts lies the morbid certainty that this barbarism, this lunatic convulsion of a power-drunk autocracy—call it what you wish—is the final horror, the cataclysm which marks the twilight of the world, an avalanche annihilating all that is good and beautiful in life, sweeping mankind irrevocably to its doom.

Humanity, bloody beneath repeated bludgeonings of fate, bound by the chains of tyranny, befuddled by the fog of battle, bemused by the crass ineptitude, the lying promises of its leaders, pon forged by man or devil can see no farther than this near horizon. Humanity, in short, has lost the power to hope!

And so, to-day, it would appear as though the dictum of my old out the seeds of nobility and

slum woman holds a message: a special, precious message, amid the tumult of the conflict there lies the plenitude and reinforced by this wise of the skies.

Gentleness and kindness are immortal. The tyrant's bones will one day rot, and from that

THAT, indeed, is a thought festering corruption, will spring which is appropriate to any an Easter snowdrop.

Easter: when Nature holds its breath in expectation . . . not darkest day of all, Christ will

remember, remember, on the other dawn.

It was something deeper, in fearfulness, but in joyfulness rise again in the hearts of men!

rarer: the shining practice of a and hope.

There is always to-morrow.

**Why Easter Eggs and
Hot Cross Buns**

To suppress an established custom is notorious difficult and this fact was recognised by the early Christian fathers. Thus, instead of trying to abolish the heathen festival of Eostre, a Saxon goddess, they wisely preferred to imbue the feast with a new and Christian spirit. And so it comes about that the tradition of Easter reaches back to pagan times.

The tradition behind the old Easter custom, "heaving," is obscure. "Heaving" was practised more particularly in Lancashire, Stratfordshire and Warwick. It is said originally to have typified the Resurrection and the custom prevailed until the beginning of the eighteenth century. By then, however, it had become so rough and vulgar a pastime as to be forbidden by the magistrates. In Derbyshire "Poplins" (Alderney) a description of the practice by a Mr Thomas Loggan of Basinghall-street, is quoted:

"I was sitting alone last Easter Tuesday, at breakfast, at the Tabot, in Shrewsbury, when I was surprised by the entrance of all the French servants of the household in an armchair, lined with white paper, decorated with ribbons and favours of different colours. I asked them what they wanted: their answer was that they came to heave me. It was the custom of the place on that morning, and they hoped that I would take a seat in their chair.

"But perhaps the most curious Easter Festive belief was that connected with the "dancing sun." Soon after dawn on Easter Day, it was asserted, the sun could be seen dancing in the heavens in honour of the Resurrection. The traditional belief which this belief arose must surely have been of great antiquity stretching back, perhaps, to the days of sun worship. At any rate, the idea of the dancing sun was widely accepted.

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RACHEL FIELD

THE STORY SO FAR: Mademoiselle Henriette, governess in a titled Parisian family, is tried for the murder of her employer's wife, and acquitted. Through the aid of Henry Field, a young American preacher, she gets a position in an exclusive New York girls' school. Her pupils discover her past and taunt her. She is tempted to resign but Field induces her to face them, and by telling them her story, to win their respect. They listen breathlessly as she tells of her trip to Paris—the meeting with young Field—and of the Duke and Duchess and their children and of the insatiable jealousy of the Duchess. While she and her children are away the Duke takes his daughter to the theatre and the governess accompanies them. The dailies blare the story and the Duchess sees it.

CHAPTER IV

MADAME LA DUCHESSE, in a state of blind fury at reading the papers, at once left Corsica for her Paris home—and with her came her aged father, the Maréchal Sébastien—Abbe Gollard, her confessor—and her younger children, Isabelle, Berthe and Raynald. On their arrival the children rushed happily to their beloved Mlle. Henriette, who shortly after was summoned to the gloomily magnificent chamber of the Duchess, where she was sternly confronted by the lady of the house, her father, and her priest.

"Ever since you have come here," the Duchess began with baleful eyes and voice, "you have carried on a deliberate campaign to steal away from me everything I love! But, oh, that you dared plan this latest insult! That while I was away you flaunted your hold over my husband in public, for the King and all Paris to see!"

"Please let me speak for myself, Madame. I resent this slander as much or more than you do."

"Do you realise what this slander as you call it, implies?"

"It is all too clear . . ."

"Then you admit it."

"I admit nothing, Madame. If you don't choose to believe me, you must believe facts—in this house, which is infested by Mine, Maillard, and your other spies, my every movement is known." Here the Duchess was called from the room and her ancient father insisted that should the governess go, it would only give credence to the ugly gossip. He said that from then on his daughter and son-in-law would be seen together oftener, until the rumours died away.

Mlle. Henriette agreed to stay but as she came out she heard the Duchess' frenzied voice of the Duchess. "And is not enough that you humiliate me at home, without doing it in public? Is it not enough that she is my children's governess, without making her your companion?" As Henriette hurried past she heard the voice now shrill and pleading. "Have pity on me, Theo. If you have done this to punish me, believe me I am well corrected! Come back to me."

Mlle. Henriette was in her room in a tumult of agitation and packing to leave, when the Duke appeared, his handsome face drawn and haggard. "Mademoiselle," he said desperately, "you mustn't go!"

"You shouldn't come here now, Monsieur! There is already enough trouble."

"I beg of you to remember the children . . . Raynald who owes you his life, Louise, Isabelle, Berthe, who have learned to trust you!"

"They are young—they will forget," she answered in passionate defence. "There are some things that is useless to fight against, Monsieur, and one of them is another woman's jealousy! She hates me! Different lighting was a feature of the early Christian ritual at Easter. According to the Paschal Taper at Westminster Abbey weighed three hundred pounds.

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"Never."

"She loves you, Monsieur."

"What kind of love that drives me to madness!"

"I shouldn't have presumed to speak of love at all, Monsieur. I have no right, and I ask you to forget it . . ."

He pleaded in the name of the children and she consented to stay on.

(To be continued on Saturday.)

Churchill Thanks U. S.; Warns Eire; Appreciates Petain

LONDON, Apr. 9 (Reuter).—In his address to the House of Commons, Mr Winston Churchill cordially welcomed Marshal Petain's declaration that France would neither act against her former ally nor take up arms against her.

"But we must, however, realise that the Vichy Government is in the hands of the Germans," he said.

"I wish to make it clear that we must maintain our blockade against Germany and those rights of contraband control at sea which have never been lost."

"Nevertheless, we have allowed in practice very considerable quantities of food to go to France out of a sincere desire to spare the French people every hardship in our power."

"When, however, it comes to thousands of tons of rubber and other vital war material which passes directly to the German armies, we are bound even at the risk of collision with French warships at sea to enforce our rights as recognised by International Law (Cheers)."

"There is one other form of action into which Vichy might be led by the dictation of Germany, namely, the sending of powerful war vessels which are unfinished or even damaged from French African ports to ports in metropolitan France which are either under the control of the Germans or may at short notice fall under their control. Such movements of French war vessels will alter the balance of naval power and would thus prejudice the interests of the United States as well as our own. Therefore, I trust that such incidents will be avoided or if they are not avoided, that the consequences which will follow from them will be understood and fairly judged by the French nation."

R.A.F. Growth

Mr Churchill continued: "I am glad to be able to report a continued and marked improvement in the relative strength of the R.A.F. as compared with that of Germany. Also I draw attention to the remarkable increase in its actual strength and in its bombing capacity, and also a marked augmentation in the power and size of the bombs which we shall be using in ever-increasing numbers."

"The sorties which we are now accustomed to make upon German harbours and cities are increasing in numbers. In some cases we have already in our raids exceeded in severity anything which a single town has, in a single night, experienced over here. At the same time, there is a sensible improvement in our means of dealing with German raids upon this island. Now moonlight periods are looked forward to by the R.A.F. as opportunities for inflicting severe deterrent losses upon the raiders as well as for striking hard at the enemy in his own territory."

"The fact that the technical advisers welcome the light—daylight, moonlight, starlight—is a pregnant with hope and with meaning."

Battle of Atlantic

"But after all, everything turns upon the Battle of the Atlantic which is proceeding with growing intensity on both sides. Our losses in ships and tonnage are very heavy and vast as are our shipping resources, these losses could not continue indefinitely."

without seriously affecting our war effort. We have lost, since the beginning of the war, nearly 4,000,000 tons of British shipping. As against this, we have gained under the British flag over 3,000,000 tons of foreign or newly-constructed tonnage. Therefore, at the moment our enormous fleets still sail the sea without any serious or obvious diminution.

"But what is to happen if the losses continue at the present rate? Where are we to find another three or four million tons to fill the gap which is being created, to carry us on through 1942? We are building merchant ships upon a very considerable scale. We are doing our utmost to accelerate the turn-round of our ships. But when all is said and done, the only way in which we can get through 1942 without a very sensible contraction of our war effort is by another gigantic building of merchant ships in the United States equal to the prodigy of output accomplished by the Americans in 1918."

American Tonnage

"We have an assurance that several millions of tons of American new-built shipping will be available for the common strangle during the course of next year (Cheers). Here then is an assurance upon which we may count for staying powers without which it will not be possible to save the world from criminals."

"I am confident that we shall succeed in coping with the attacks upon shipping in the Western and Northern Approaches. I hope that eventually the inhabitants of a sister land may realise that it is as much in her interests as it is in ours that her ports and airfields should be available for naval and air forces which must operate even further into the Atlantic."

"The defeat of the U-boats and surface raiders has been proved by entirely a question of adequate escorts for convoys. It would indeed be disastrous if the great mass of weapons, munitions and instruments of war made with the toll and skill of American hands and loaned to us under the Aid to Britain Bill were to sink into the depths of the ocean and never reach the hard-pounding fighting line."

"It would be a result lamentable to us over here, and I cannot believe that it would be found acceptable by the proud and resolute people of the United States (Cheers)."

U.S. Cutters Transferred

"I am authorised to state that ten United States revenue cutters, fast vessels of about 2,000 tons displacement with fine armament and a wide range of endurance, have already been placed at our disposal by the United States Government and will soon be in action. (Cheers)."

"It is, of course, very hazardous to try to forecast in what direction Hitler will employ his military machine in the present year. He may at any time attempt an invasion of this island. It is an ordeal from which we shall not shrink."

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TWO-DAY EASTER MEET

Calliope H'cap (Second Section)

Several Good Ponies With Small Burdens

LOOKING over the weights for the last meet, Calliope Handicap (second section) for "B" class Australian ponies, one cannot fail to see the inclusion of a few good "lows with low imposts".

Rowan heads the list with only 162 lb, while Happy Landings has to carry 138 lb. Second from the bottom is Lady Northcote's Devonian.

As a matter of fact all the racers are very low.

On past performances Rowan should win, but it looks that Devonian will be a menace to his success.

Pumpernickel will again have Mr Pih in the saddle, and the combination is sure to be one of the favourites.

Wyalong Stakes

Scramble For Non-Winning Australians

WE ARE BOUND to have a big field for the Wyalong Stakes confined to non-winning Australian griffins of this season, and anything may happen because it is a scramble from the 1½ mile post (about half-mile 170 yards).

On the book like Hascossey, with Lotus Stundi and Misty View to fill the lower positions.

The Nineteenth Hole has had only two public outings with no stake money in the "cup", but the mare is a good animal and she is worth an investment of \$5 each way.

Hornpipe and Pigtail, both from the Quartermaster's stable, could not start at the annual meeting on account of lameness, and I have reason to believe that neither will upset the applecart.

Teeing -Off Times At Fanling

The following are the Royal Hongkong Golf Club starting times for Fanling for Sunday ("The Shanghai Visitors' Cup"):

OLD COURSE:
12.20 K. S. Morrison, J. J. Fenwick.
12.25 H. H. Munday, K. S. Robertson.
12.30 D. L. Bosquelin, J. L. C. Pearce.
12.35 G. M. Park, C. W. E. Bishop.
12.40 Linaker, J. J. van Mullen.
12.45 W. C. H. Smith, G. W. H. Smith.
12.50 A. W. Bourne, R. Young.
12.55 J. Harrop, T. Low.
12.58 D. J. S. Kew, W. W. C. Shewan.
13.00 Edward, A. J. Dennis.
13.10 D. S. Robb, S. L. Lloyd.
13.15 B. A. Baker Carr, H. Forrest.
13.20 A. H. Purves, F. A. Redmond.
13.25 A. H. Howard, T. McMillan.
13.30 H. Overly, W. J. E. Mackenzie.
13.40 F. D. Hunter, T. A. Pearce.
13.45 G. W. Reeve, Col. E. D. Matthews.
13.50 A. Parfitt, W. G. Robertson.
13.55 A. McCellar, N. K. Littlejohn.

KOWLOON C.C. TEAM

For their Second Division League Cricket match against Craigengower at Cox's Road ground on Saturday the Kowloon C.C. will be represented by: S. A. Gray (Capt), E. Curtis, T. A. Madar, K. M. Baxter, T. C. Hung, F. G. Dowd, A. G. Gurd, R. W. Jenkin, W. L. Rooley, G. Taylor and H. Barker, with W. W. Parsons as 12th man. Scorer, T. W. Carr.

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When Germany invaded Belgium the diamond merchants of Antwerp, and other cities, took as much as possible of their stocks and fled in cars, on bicycles and on foot across France for London.

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Government Backing

For many reasons it is not possible to reveal the site of this factory. Undoubtedly the enemy would like to know the whereabouts of this new London industry which, the experts say, will produce at least £500,000 worth of diamonds.

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Calliope H'cap (First Section)

Duel Between Gloaming And Conniber

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Taiwan Bay H'cap

(First Section)

AN INTERESTING PROBLEM FOR PUNTERS

BY ANNEXING the Lingnan Handicap in Macao last Sunday Lovely Star has incurred a penalty of 7 lb. in the Taiwan Bay Handicap (first section) for "D" class China ponies over a mile, and the race is to be ridden by novice jockeys.

The recent demotion of several "C" class racers coupled with the inclusion of a few China pony griffins of this season to this section has presented a fascinating problem, and, furthermore, it is not easy to follow up the handicapper's line nor is it easy to spot the winner.

However, my best three are Blue Field, Eve of Hunting and Strath-

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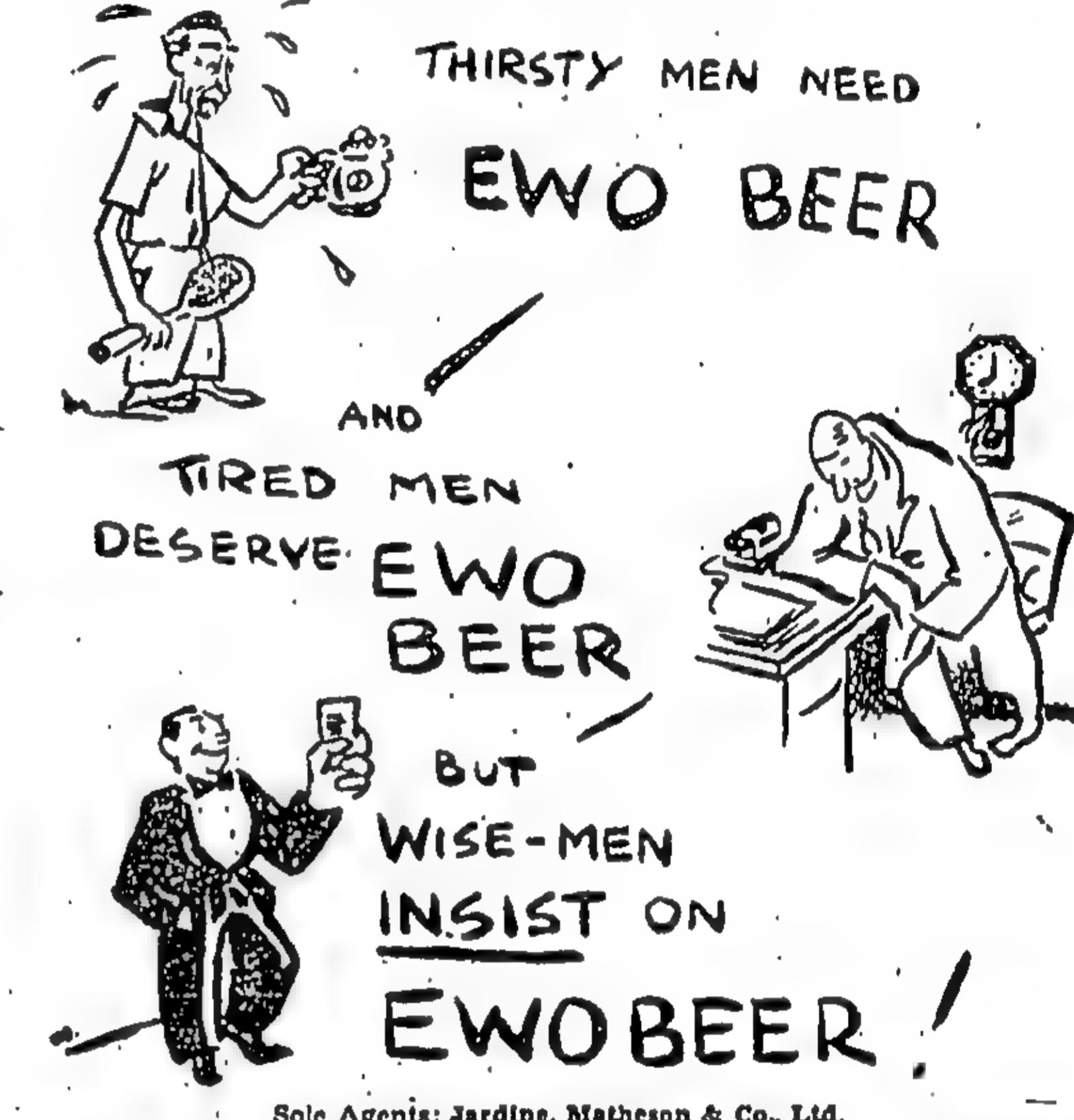
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American Views On British Censorship

There is apparent in what are generally called official circles in London some slight irritation with America's "censorship complex." It arises, perhaps, from the conviction that there are more important issues, plus the belief that Americans are not entitled to substantially greater or more sensational news than the British public, states "P.M.'s" London correspondent.

London censorship is often slow and inefficient; sometimes downright stupid. But, on the basis of a fair amount of experience with totalitarian censorship, I am convinced that London's policy is the most liberal anywhere, continues the correspondent.

It is obviously true that information designed to aid or assist Britain's enemies is suppressed, but no hard working reporter in Britain is dependent entirely upon "official spokesmen" for his information.

For example, last July I saw in detail defences of the most vulnerable English coastline, was permitted to talk with the captains of the gun crews and was told how much ammunition they had—or rather didn't have.

Inspects Defences

I saw seven miles of open beach covered by one antiquated naval gun, pillboxes without Bren guns and all the other improvised and inadequate defences of this island. At the time it was forbidden to reveal this information and, indeed, I made no attempt to do so.

But, on the basis of those observations and with the knowledge of what has been done since, it is certainly safe to say—without the assistance of this mysterious "military spokesman"—that, if the Germans attempt invasion now, it will cost them 100 men for every one they would have lost in June or July.

Alfred Duff Cooper, Minister of Information, summed up the position of British censorship while talking with American correspondents the other day. He said:

"If it's a question of providing Americans with a big headline or of providing the Germans with useful information, you won't get your headline."

Tradition Of Tolerance

Censorship in wartime is inevitable. It is irritating and unpleasant, but it may be useful to remember that, while British censors occasionally tell us what we can't say, they never try to tell us what we must say or write, says the "P.M." representative.

In Britain the tradition of tolerance is strong. So far as censorship is concerned military secrets are sacred. But comment is free. For how much of the rest of Europe can the same be said?

In a large measure, of course, one must rely on official communiques for military, air and naval news. No impartial neutral observers were there when the incident occurred.

The German communiques are still printed in Britain and no one has been belittled or thrown into disgrace for listening to a German broadcast.

No responsible reporter would be wise to be placed in the position of defending any censorship. It is our job to fight it. But it is to be remembered that the British censors are inexperienced—censorship is not exactly in the British tradition, concluded the message.

War Without Cheers For Nazi Germany

In the first of a series of articles on conditions inside Germany Wallace Deuel, who has just returned to the United States after six years in Berlin as correspondent of the "Chicago Daily News," describes the feeling of hopelessness which he found in Hitler's Reich.

"It is true," he writes, "that Germany has risen again, but the price in wear and tear of the people's nerves has been appalling, and millions of Germans have ceased to believe, if they ever did, that it is possible to hope for rewards which would be worth the price."

The German people are tired as few people in the world have ever been tired without breaking down. In a single generation they have gone through a major war, a starvation blockade and a catastrophic defeat. They have had two revolutions.

They have had their currency wiped out altogether once and have been seriously threatened with the same fate again.

"They've had the same exhausting and disillusioning experiences of depression as the rest of the world has had, and now they have entered on a new war."

All Except The Last

"They are winning all the battles in the new war, it is true. But they won all the battles in the last war, too—all except the last—and they have never forgotten it."

"Until the last battle in this war has been fought and won, it will be hard for millions of Germans to believe it will be won at all. And, besides, unless that last battle is fought and won soon enough what good will victory be to the Germans? The longer the war lasts the more the Germans will wonder if it is worth fighting."

Silent Men

"Scores of times I have seen columns of motorised troops pouring through Berlin and, half a dozen other cities on their way to the front, first towards Poland and latterly towards the West. But among all these columns I have only seen and



U.S. To Have 300,000 Men In Navy

By the addition of 42,000 to its existing strength the personnel of the United States Navy will be raised to close on 300,000 officers and men. Including reserves, the authorised total was hitherto 251,448, out of which 239,281 were on duty by the end of September last.

Until this year American warships have been organised in two main divisions—the United States Fleet, with its main bases in California and Hawaii, and the Asiatic Fleet. A section of the former, based on the east coast, was known as the Atlantic Squad of the United States Fleet. It comprised a training unit formed by the four oldest battleships, one of which was demilitarised some years ago, a division of cruisers of the latest type, and a considerable number of destroyers and submarines.

This force is now to become a separate fleet. Presumably for some time to come the majority of new units will join it as they are commissioned.

Asiatic Fleet

The strength of the Asiatic Fleet has hitherto been comparatively modest, amounting only two or three cruisers, about a dozen destroyers, and a similar number of submarines, with some depot ships, minesweepers, gunboats and patrol vessels.

It is based on the Philippines, but in the event of war its strategic value would be greatly enhanced, as the British naval base at Singapore would be at its disposal.

A very large number of new warships are under construction or on order for the United States Navy, including 17 battleships, 12 aircraft-carriers, 48 cruisers, 160 destroyers and 80 submarines.

After the transfer to Britain of 50 destroyers designed during the last war, the United States Navy retains in all about 170 destroyers, half of which are modern. Nearly all are in full commission.

Duke's Orchids Lead To Action For Libel

The Duke of Westminster's orchids were mentioned in the King's Bench Division, London, recently, when the settlement was announced of a libel action in which the Duke was the plaintiff and the defendants were Daily Mirror Newspapers, Ltd.

Mr Valentine Holmes, for the Duke, said that the Daily Mirror, under the heading "Cassandra," and entitled "Fragrant Fragments," published this:

"Just a couple of paragraphs I leisurely snipped from the news—
"Six hundred and forty-three children under 16 were killed in air raids during the month of October."

The Duke of Westminster's famous collection of orchids has arrived in Florida in 15 packing cases, and will be cared for until the end of the war by an expert florist.

Lord Haw-Haw Cited

The U.S. Attorney-General, Mr Robert H. Jackson, revealed that the Federal Bureau of Investigation has made a survey of 1,200 plants which are working on defence orders and has established systems for trapping saboteurs before damage can be done, says a Washington report.

How widely such unfounded statements can be spread, and how damaging they can be, is perhaps best shown by the fact that the announcer on the Bremen radio, who is usually known as Lord Haw-Haw, repeated them for German propaganda purposes.

The statement was reverse of the truth, he went on. Since the outbreak of war the Duke had been at great pains to cut down his expenditure on his hothouse and flower gardens to an absolute minimum, and to use them only in a way which would assist the national effort to produce food. He had sold orchid plants of great value, and a number had been resold to America, which produced American currency for this country.

Agreed To Settlement

As soon as the true facts were brought to their notice, defendants indicated their willingness to do everything in their power to avert the consequences of the mistake into which they had unwittingly fallen.

The Duke had therefore agreed to a settlement on terms which involved the payment of a sum of money which he would hand over to a charity concerning itself with the interests of children who suffered in air raids.

Mr G. O. Slade, for the defendants, said they desired to express their sincere regret to the Duke.

Mr Justice Wrottesley allowed the record in the case to be withdrawn.

THEY MEASURE MINDS

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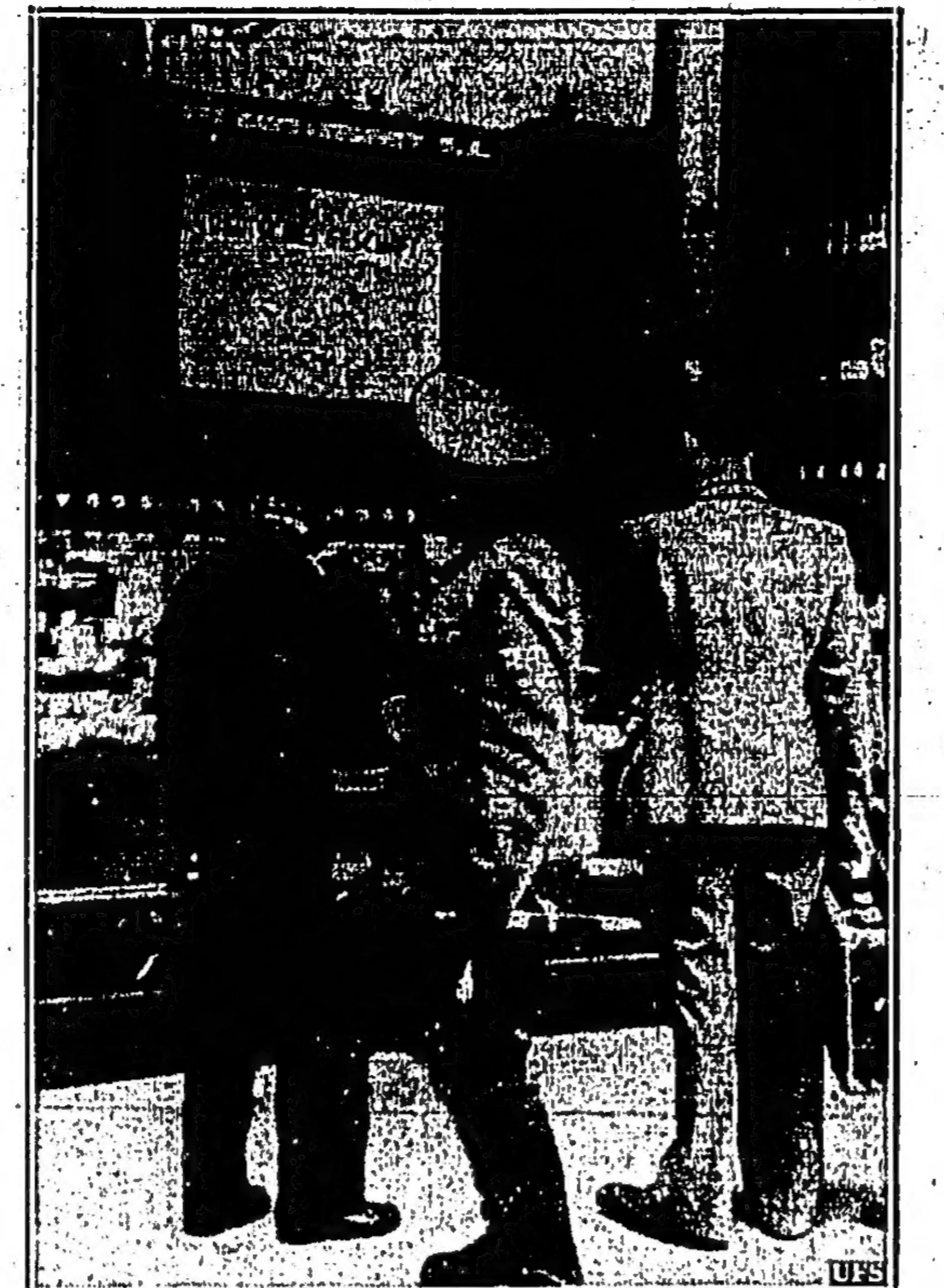
Leadership?

"We make allowances for that. But one thing the professors of Cambridge have not yet been able to discover is a test of leadership."

"We can tell, within a small margin of error, whether a man is practical, slow, quick, reliable, simple-minded, but nothing yet known to the psychologists will tell us whether he possesses the ability to lead other men and to gain their respect and confidence."

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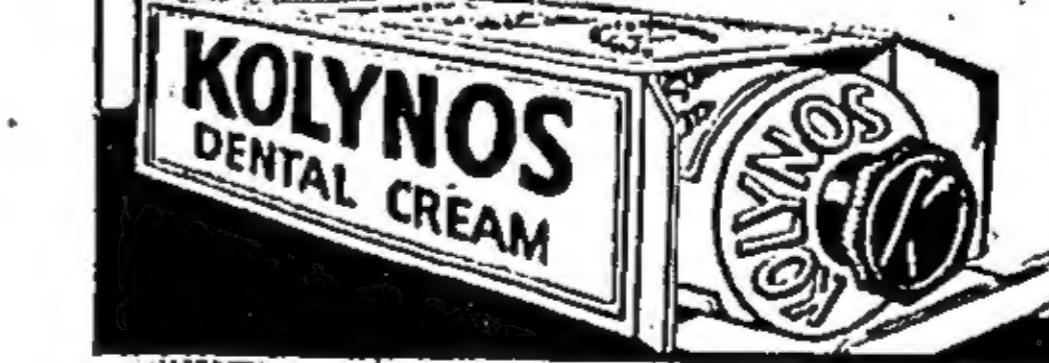
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NAZIS DID IT—Hitler's air raiders went to church in London and this is the result. Name of church is not given. The bomb smashed through the roof and created such havoc that worshippers will be unable to hold services here for some time to come.

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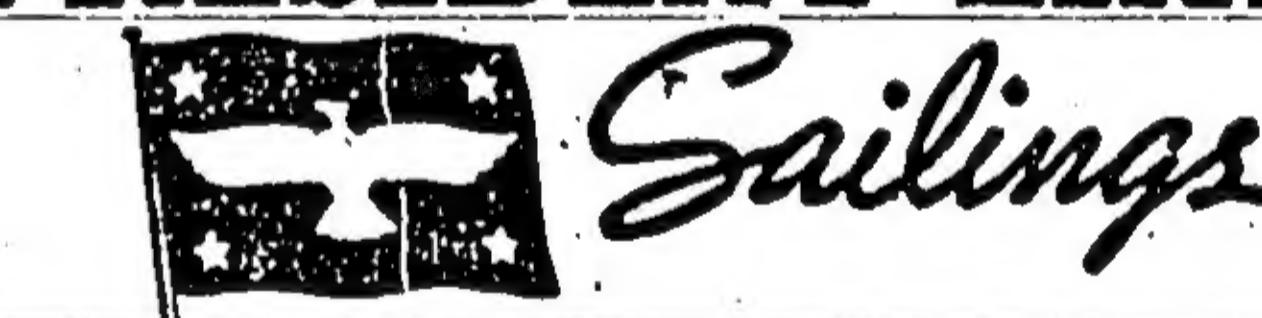
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Bevin On Peace Basis: Lesson of Nazi Fake

"The commonwealth idea, on the basis of equality, must be the basic principle of the future security and prosperity of the world," declared Mr Ernest Bevin, Minister of Labour, addressing members of the Foreign Press Association at a luncheon in London.

In the post-war years, he declared, people will be less concerned about political sovereignty than about free institutions and the advancement of the standard of life.

"I believe the next 'war' after this one will be declared, not between races or nations, but on poverty, ignorance, desolation and all kinds of things that have ailed humanity—many of which have been used and exploited in the past for political aggrandizement and the wrong kind of war."

What he had in mind on that last point was indicated when Mr Bevin was discussing the rise of the Nazi philosophy in Germany.

The Versailles Treaty might have been good or bad, he said, but anyway the British people had no antagonism to a just revision.

Faked Clump

Other methods, however, were adopted. Artificial unemployment was created, based on pure economic disorder, by the great financial and vested interests of Krupps, Thyssen and others, to produce a political result.

The people of Germany were led to believe that a change of rulers would solve unemployment.

It had been "solved" by making weapons of destruction to be used in the killing of fellow men, in the destruction of liberty, and in an attempt to dominate the soul.

The present war was not solely for Britain and the British Commonwealth.

Fighting For Principle

We were fighting for a principle which, when established, would govern the conduct of humanity for generations to come.

Two ideologies had clashed: We stood for freedom, honour and social justice. On the other side was the philosophy of brute force, aggression, destruction of liberty and the loss of one's soul.

"We are only the front line. Everyone in the world is involved on one side or the other.

"There can be no neutrality between wrong and right."

A Great Idea

Referring to conditions to-day in Britain, Mr Bevin emphasised the determination to maintain the social services, not only in the number of shillings a week, but in their value.

They were determined so far as possible to do the same in respect of the great contribution made by the people in the form of war savings.

This was of importance to other countries besides ourselves.

If the value of our currency was maintained, there would be a quicker resumption of the free flow of trade immediately hostilities ceased.

All this linked up with the great idea put up by President Roosevelt that he should lend goods and we should repay in goods.

It went further than helping to win the war now. It took us out of the hands of speculators in money at the end of the war.

Taximan Asked Double Fare

Fined In London

A LONDON TAXIMAN who wanted double fare for driving an Army officer during an air raids alert appeared before the Bow-street magistrate recently. He is Robert Fidler, of Hornsey-road, N. He pleaded not guilty to demanding more than the proper fare.

Lieutenant Leslie James Pocock said that Fidler drove him from his club in Savile-row, W., to his company headquarters, and the fare shown was 5s. 9d.

Double-In-Blitz

He gave Fidler 6s. 9d., and Fidler said, "I want double fare in the blitz."

When asked why, Fidler replied, "It is usual."

Later he said: "Unless you pay me double fare you will never get another cab off that rank."

When he pressed Fidler for his number he would not produce his disc until told that the gates were locked and he could not get out as a sentry was there.

Fidler told the magistrate he made no demand for any money. He said to the officer: "Most of the people who ring up for cabs appreciate cabs during gunfire and the blitz" by giving us double fare."

He was fined £1.

Stone Coffin Shelter

Labourer's Blitz Home

London, Apr. 9 (UP)—A 400-year-old stone coffin is the latest thing in air raid shelters. It lies in the crypt of Christ Church, Spitalfields, and is now the home of Michael O'Connor, an East End labourer.

Blasted from his home by a bomb three months ago, he has passed every night since, reading, eating and sleeping in the coffin.

"And very comfortable it is, too," he says.

Every morning, except Sunday, when he has a "lie-in," Michael is awakened by his wife with a cup of tea. Then he goes off to work to face remarks from his mates, such as "Hulla, Mike, back from the dead."

The O'Connors, with their fifteen-year-old son, have made their corner of the crypt as "homey" as possible.

Like The Dead

Mrs O'Connor does not "fancy the coffin much," so she sleeps on the floor with her son while Michael sleeps "like the dead" in his strange bed.

"I've slept in worse places," he says, "It's a bit draughty, but otherwise it's quite comfortable. There's plenty of room to move around."

"The first couple of nights I felt bit strange and kept waking up, but I've got used to it now, and I sleep like a top. I feel safer down here than I do in a surface shelter, and I hope to stop here after the war."

Girl of 15 Becomes High Constable of Scotland

By an event without precedent in the peerage, a girl of 15 has become Hereditary Lord High Constable of Scotland. She is Lady Diana Denys Hay, who has succeeded to the Scottish earldom of her father, and Earl of Erroll, whose death at Nairobi, Kenya, recently is being probed, Sir Elies Broughton being charged with murder.

The position of Hereditary Lord High Constable of Scotland, to which Lady Diana also succeeds, is an office held by the head of her family for 600 years. It was conferred on Sir Gilbert Hay, Lord of Erroll, by Robert Bruce in 1315.

The office gives Lady Diana precedence of every other hereditary Scottish honour and makes her, in fact, the first subject in Scotland after the blood-royal. The only other woman to hold the office was Mary, Countess of Erroll, from 1718 to 1758.

Farming In Kenya

The Scottish earldom was created in 1542, and Lord Erroll, who was 30, was the 22nd holder of the title, to which he succeeded in 1528. He sat in the House of Lords as Baron Killinnoch, a United Kingdom peerage created in 1831, and the heir to this title is his brother, the Hon. Gilbert Allan Rowland Hay, who was born in 1903. He married the Hon. Rosemary Guest, elder daughter of the late Viscount Wimborne.

Lord Erroll, who took up farming in Kenya in 1923, was a member of the Kenya Legislative Council, and sat for the constituency of Klumbu.

A Royal Gesture
Lord Erroll, as Hereditary High Constable, walked in the Coronation procession in 1937, carrying a silver baton. It was one of his ancestors, the 15th Earl of Erroll, who appeared with his head covered in the presence of George III. He was in the King's Coronation procession, and, by accident, did not pull off his cap at the entrance of the Kig.

Afterwards, when he apologised, George III waved away both the apology and the cause of it, saying that he looked upon the presence of the Hereditary High Constable of Scotland at the ceremony as a very particular honour.

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BEATING SHELTER RACKET

THE "Shelter Squad" is Ipswich's answer to the Anderson shelter racket which certain landlords and estate agents in the town have been working.

The squad—a brainwave of the Emergency Committee—stands ready to go into action at a moment's notice.

Landlords have been advertising "houses with Andersons"—although Anderson shelters are Government and not private property.

Bait Gone

Immediately the Emergency Committee sees an advertisement the squad is sent out with a lorry to collect the shelter from the empty house and pass it on to a family already on the waiting list.

And when the landlord shows his prospective tenant round the premises he finds the Anderson gone.

"This business of advertising houses with Andersons" has become a "ramp," an Ipswich A.R.P. official said.

Waiting Months

The landlords know that many people are still without shelters, and the advertisement is an attractive bait for a man with a family.

The shelters have been left by previous tenants, and they are wanted by families who may have been waiting months for them.

The new tenant has to wait his turn too. We are backing our Shelter Squad to beat the ramp."

NOMINATIONS TO S.M.C.

SHANGHAI, Apr. 10 (Reuters).—Mr Takeki Horiuchi, the Japanese Consul-General, has officially notified the Shanghai Municipal Council that the nomination of three Japanese Councillors to the S.M.C. was reached at a meeting of the Japanese Ratepayers' Association, it is learned.

The three Japanese nominated are Mr Yutaro Hanawa, manager of the Shanghai branch of the Mitsui Busan Kaihatsu; Mr Issaku Okamoto, a lawyer and former Japanese Consul-General in Singapore; and Mr Yasuo Yajima—manager of the Shanghai office of the Nippon Yusen Kaihatsu.

Passion Music

A programme of Passion Music with hymns was conducted at St John's Cathedral yesterday, the items being given by the Cathedral Choir.

Numbers rendered were *Cantata No. 22* (Jesus Called unto them the Twelve), J. S. Bach; *Prelude and Fugue in D Minor*, J. S. Bach; and "How lovely are thy dwellings fair," Brahms' *Requiem*.

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ARMY OF STEEL—Impressive scene shows men and machines of the Second Armoured Division of Uncle Sam's Army, staging a review at Fort Benning, Ga. More than 2,000 tanks and armoured cars passed before Army officials. Civilians also were permitted to see the vast demonstration.

Blockade Hurts Germany

Traffic And Labour

LONDON, Apr. 9 (Reuters).—The blockade is like a chronic disease and is indubitably a vital factor in Germany's war situation, declared a British Economic Warfare official to "Reuter."

Transport congestion and labour shortage already are serious problems. Transport delays have been aggravated by air raids and a labour shortage persists despite imports of forced labourers from Poland, Norway and other occupied countries.

Many instances are known of German merchants cancelling orders because the railways are unable to deliver the goods.

Despite the official censorship there is increasing evidence in German newspapers that shortages are now much more severe and that the blockade is taking effect.

The oil supply position is obviously difficult as Germany herself does not expect to receive more than three million tons from Rumania, even with favourable conditions. The Reich is unlikely to get over two and half million tons from Rumania and perhaps one million from Russia. This might keep Germany going if the occupied countries could continue on their present starvation rations and if Germany's synthetic production was unimpaired. Rubber production is only one third of probable wartime minimum needs and the severest restrictions have been imposed in Germany.

Textiles Shortage

The shortage in textiles is severely felt by German citizens. General difficulties are best illustrated by the prevalence of black markets throughout Germany and Europe and the severe sentences inflicted on hoarders and traffickers in food.

A dangerous scarcity is sure to arise more through distribution difficulties than from a complete absence of supplies apart from increased war traffic, the blockade by closing the ports of Hamburg, Bremen and the Eastern Mediterranean has caused an immense strain on internal transport. The congestion in Marschall is such that even greatly needed supplies cannot be quickly moved. The recent enrolment of recruits for the army in many cases removed the last youthful labour which is irreplaceable by war prisoners owing to lack of administrative staff.

The general picture is therefore of highly-organized economy strained at very many points by the blockade. The maintenance of industries, the necessity to grow food instead of importing it, the need to supply the German armies in occupied countries, the organisation of supplies from Russia all mean that Germany's economic resources are exerted in a painful effort. Germany's propaganda for the relaxation of the blockade shows how Germany feel it.

TOILET GOODS

Will Pay Duty As From To-day

It was officially announced yesterday that as from 2 p.m. to-day Toilet preparations will pay duties.

The following rates will be enforced:

On any quantity for retail, at a price (excluding the duty) not exceeding 50 cents, a duty of five cents will be charged; if over 50 cents and not exceeding a dollar, the duty will be 10 cents; over \$1 and not exceeding \$1.50, 15 cents; over \$1.50 and not exceeding \$2, 20 cents; and in addition, for every dollar or fraction of a dollar by which the retail price exceeds \$2, the duty will be another 10 cents.

Whenever duty is paid on toilet preparations, and whenever any toilet preparation on which the duty has been paid is bottled, packed or repacked, a label denoting the amount of the duty paid shall be affixed to the innermost container which can be sold separately, so that it cannot be opened without breaking the label. Provided that, if the preparation consists of cakes which can be sold separately, a label shall be affixed to each cake.

It is noteworthy that some toilet preparations which contain alcohol will now pay two duties, one as commodities and one under the liquor taxes regulation. The combined tax, however, is small.

A telegram has been received through the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation from the Lord Mayor of London acknowledging receipt of £115 7s. 6d. recently remitted by the British War Organisation Fund from the proceeds of the Hongkong Police Force and Police Reserve Dance, in aid of air-raid defence. The telegram reads:

Bomber Fund Raffle

88,000 Tickets Sold

Approximately 88,000 tickets, subject to final check, have been sold in the Bomber Fund Monster Raffle, the draw for which will be held at the Peninsula Hotel, commencing at 2 p.m. to-day.

There was a last-minute rush for the tickets yesterday, and to cope with the demand the closing time of some of the centres was extended from noon to 5 or seven hours.

Elaborate arrangements for the draw, which will be undertaken by His Honour the Chief Justice, Sir Atholl MacGregor, have been made.

Loud speakers have been installed throughout the ground-floor lounge of the Hotel, and the proceedings are expected to take six or seven hours.

Acknowledgments

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"Blitz and Fan" \$10

A forged one dollar note received on April 7 has been deducted from the above total.

Lord Mayor's Thanks

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MR E. J. AINSLEY PASSES

For Many Years on Staff Of Lanc, Crawford

The death occurred of Mr Ernest James Ainslie, formerly of Messrs Lane, Crawford, Ltd, at St Teresa's Hospital, Kowloon, yesterday, after a short illness.

The late Mr Ainslie, who was of a very kindly disposition, and was much esteemed, joined the staff of Messrs Lane, Crawford, as far back as 1910. He resigned in 1935 owing to ill-health.

During the Great War, Mr Ainslie served as a member of the Hongkong Volunteers, and was also for a time in the Special Police. He was a member of the Engineers Institute for many years.

Besides his widow, Mr Ainslie is survived by his son, Mr G. Ainslie of the Colonial Secretariat, and his stepson, Mr W. S. Gegg, well-known cricketer, who is at present studying at the University of Hongkong.

The funeral will pass the Monument at 3.30 p.m. to-day.

TRANSFERS MADE TO KEY-POSTS Tribunal Hearing

Appeals for reassignment from the Combatant Group of the Hongkong Defence Reserve to the Key-Post Group were heard before the Compulsory Service Appeals Tribunal at the Supreme Court this morning, and were successful.

The Tribunal comprised the Chief Justice, Sir Atholl MacGregor (Chairman), and Brigadier A. Peffers.

Mr F. P. Franklin, Assistant General Manager of the South China Morning Post, Ltd., appeared on behalf of five members of the staff, Messrs J. R. Luke, S. A. Gray, H. Brookes, G. W. Giffen and R. J. Clarke.

The Chairman: Mr Franklin, we shall take up from the point where we broke off at the last appeal. I think the position is, and you will correct me if I am wrong, that having appealed as you had and having appeared on behalf of five of your staff before the Tribunal, we effected a compromise and you undertook to see how far you would be able, having due regard to the case of normal civil duties, to enable your fellows to do a modified and reduced degree of training. We now understand from the Commandant and Adjutant of the Volunteer Corps that that compromise has not worked and that only one of your staff has been able to do any of the parades at all.

Mr Franklin: One of the five, Sir.

The Chairman: Oh, yes. We know the other members of your staff are carrying out their training.

Cannot Be Spared

Mr Franklin pointed out that it was impossible to spare these men and produced the Company's assignment diary to indicate the various daily duties which included Sundays.

Brigadier Peffers asked what would be the position of the men in an emergency.

Mr Franklin replied that they would still be necessary in the production of the newspapers and might even have to take over work normally done by Chinese.

After further discussion, the appeal was allowed and the five members of the staff were re-assigned to the Key-Post Group.

Another Appeal

The second appeal was brought by Mr H. C. Bustard, of Messrs Alfred Holt and Company, Agents for the Blue Funnel Line.

The Chairman observed that when Mr Bustard first appealed, he was granted a month's exemption when he stated that he would only be in the Colony temporarily, and might return to England.

Mr Bustard said that he was now stationed here, and his hours were very irregular, as he had to meet ships.

The Chairman, after discussing the position with Brigadier Peffers, who offered no objection, recommended that Mr Bustard be transferred to the Key-Post Group.



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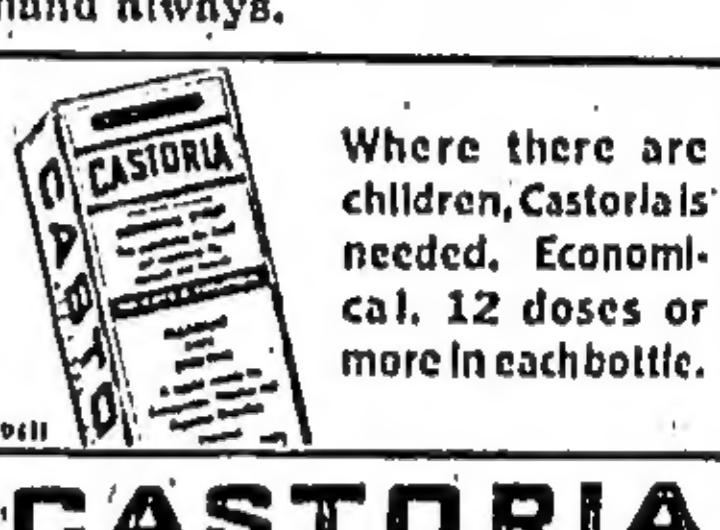


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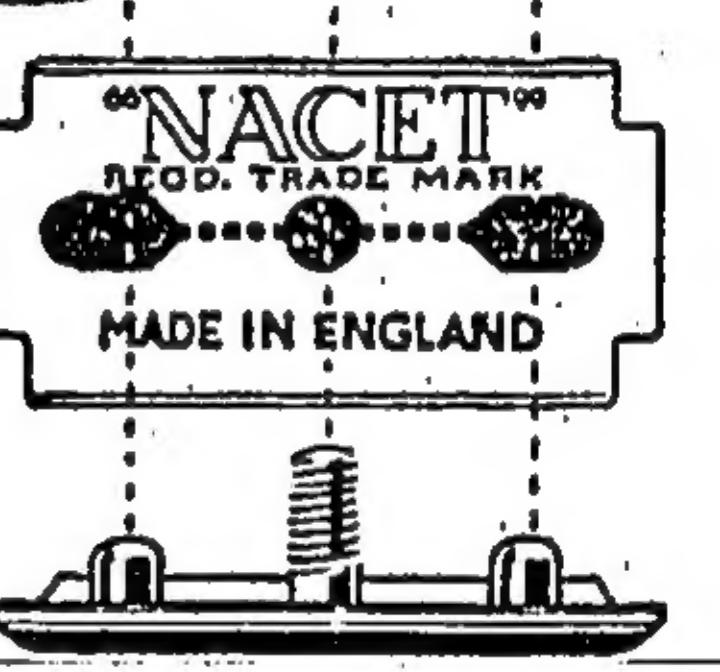
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and aircraft of the Free French Squadron.

Direct hits were made on aerodromes buildings at Comodolia, one of which caught fire.

South African aircraft successfully attacked motor transport in the Asella area.

Enemy landing grounds in Crete were bombed and troop concentrations were continuously attacked.

From all operations, British aircraft returned safely.

Free French

KHAIRULT, Apr. 9 (Reuter).—Marsawa was occupied by Imperial and Free French forces at 2 p.m. on Tuesday.

The defenders abandoned their futile resistance against the ceaseless pressure of the British and Imperial forces and the white flag was again raised.

British and Imperial forces from Adowa and Adigrat are continuing their advance to the south towards the remnants of the Italian forces reported to be concentrated on Desse, 150 miles north-east of Addis Ababa.

NAIROBI, Apr. 9 (Reuter).—Order is being successfully preserved in Addis Ababa, it is officially stated here.

Important stocks of arms and material of all kinds have been captured.

The large number of prisoner's captures include two Blackshirt battalions, complete with over 60 pilots and 1,000 air force ground personnel. Indian troops participated in the capture of the Abyssinian capital.

YUGO-SLAV AND GREEK FORCES

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Tetovo, situated between Skopje and the Yugo-Slavian border. Both the German and Italian units are mechanized. Italian forces of at least two divisions started forward at dawn to-day and effected the meeting with the Germans, as prepared, at a Yugo-Slav mountain pass.

Military observers considered that to-day's operations completely isolated Yugo-Slavia from all possible assistance by land—either through Greece or Turkey, and the fighting in Yugo-Slavia will tend to become more like guerrilla warfare before the end of the week.

LATE NEWS

DEATH

AINSLIE.—On April 9, 1941, after a short illness, at St. Teresa's Hospital, Kowloon, Ernest James Ainslie, formerly of Messrs. Lane, Crawford, Ltd. Funeral will pass the Monument at 3.30 p.m. to-day.

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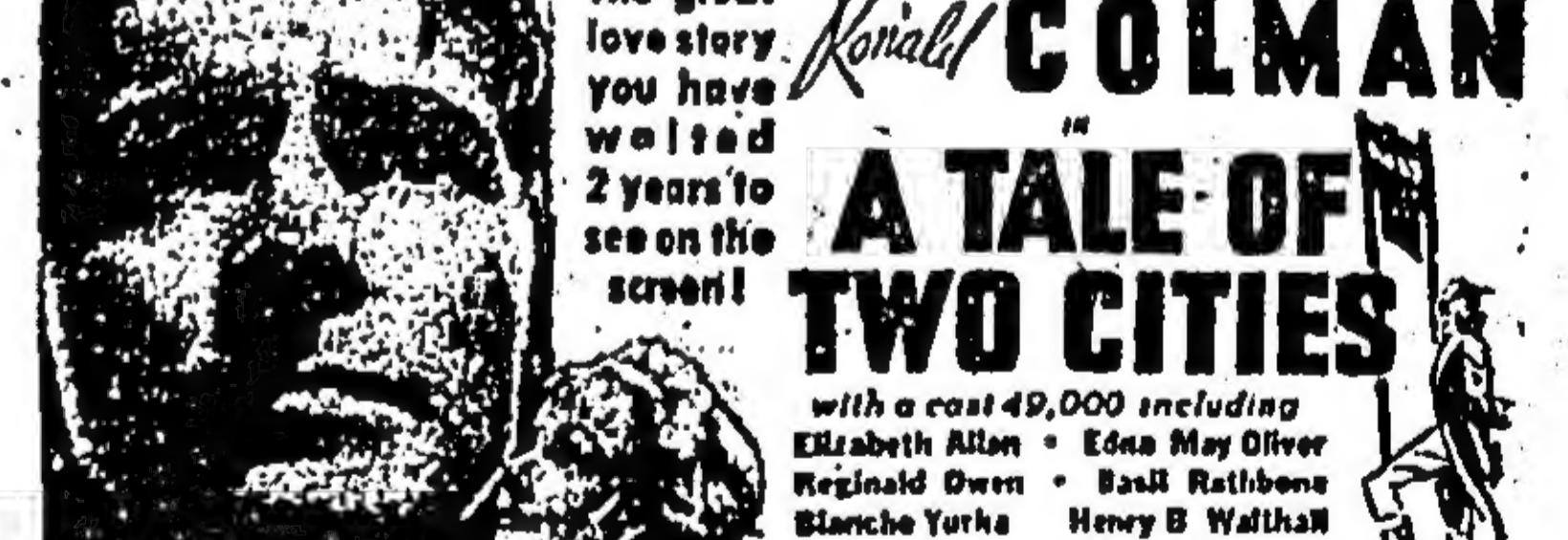
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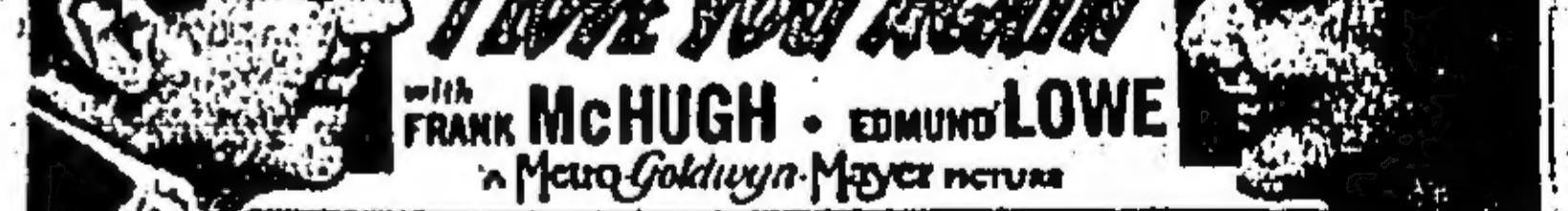
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